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CHINA'S DESIRE TO RANK AMONG POWERS

Carrying Out of Reforms in Empire May Lead to Recognition of Claim.

Pekin, Dec. 24.—The foreign board Fean, Dec. 23.—The foreign board has received a cablegram from Tang Shao Yi, at Washington, saying that the Washington government has responded favorably to the proposal made by China to raise the Chinese legation at Washingon to the rank of an embassy. Tang Shao Yi is the Chinese official was as a present in the Little of the proposal was a say the say the latter than the chinese official was as a present in the Little of the say that the latter than the say that the latter than the say that the latter than the say that the say the official who is at present in the United States on a diplomatic mission from

China is very sensitive on the sub-lect of an equal diplomatic footing with Japan, especially since the episode of the visit of the American battleships at Amoy, Only half the American battleships at Amoy, Only half the American feet visited the Chinese port, while all the 16 vessels went to Yokohama. Any-thing that contributes to the success of the mission of Tang Shao Yi will tend to strengthen the efforts here of Yuan Sa Ho Kai and others in the work of reforming the court

reforming the court.

It is believed that the reform of the It is believed that the reform of the foreign board of the empire and the existing court practices, together with the adoption of a reformed code, the inauguration of courts of law, the establishment of an improved financial system, and the abolition of the existing system of ex-territoriality, will tend to influence the powers toward accepting proposals to raise the rank of Chinese diplomatic representatives.

VERDICT AGAINST LABOR LEADERS

JUDGMENT IS PROTESTED FROM VARIOUS QUARTERS

Case Should Prove Death Knell of Boycott, Says Buck Stove Counsel.

Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 24.-James M. Beck, of New York counsel for the Buck Stove Company, when informed of the decision in the labor case at Wa hington, while in this city yester-day, said: "This case ought to be the death knell of the boycott. If so, it is the most important decision in a labo controvers since the Debs case of 1906, from which it differs only in the fact that in the Debs case physical violence was used to paralyze interflate traffic, while in the Buck stove case the insidious and far more dangerous method of a national boycott was em-

"Should Be Pardoned."

Boston, Mass., Dec. 23.—First Vice-President James Duncan, of the Am-erican Federation of Labor, said last night: "I am of the opinion that the pardoning power of the president could pardoning power of the president could be used right away in causing the re-lease of President Gompers. If Presi-dent Gompers is compelled to spend the year's term in jail he will conduct the affairs of the Federation in the jail in which he is confined. I think the de-cision is the most unjust that I have ever beard." Other local leaders in ever heard." Other local leaders, in- an America syndicate to which the pur cluding President John F. Tobin, of chase money is supposed eventually t

the United Mine Workers, of which John Mitchell was president, when the alleged boyoctt resolution was acted upon at the miners' convention a year ago, has sent the following telegram to President Roosevelt: "As an official representative of the United Mine Workers of America, I emphatically protest against the court's decision in sending Gompers, Mitchell and Moreisending Gompers, Mitchell and Morti-son to Jall, I know of no law that has been violated by Gompers or Morrison in connection with the case in ques-tion, and I am positive that Mitchell is absolutely innocent."

Will Never Serve Terms,

Detroit, Mich. Dec. 24 of think you will find that Mr. Gompers, Mr. Mitchell and Mr. Morrissin will never serve their sentences," was the comment of Commissioner General of Immigration Commissioner General of Immigration D. J. Kêrfe, former vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, and head of the Longsboremen's Union, made regarding yeskerday's decision in the Buck Stove Company case.

What Will Roosevelt Do?

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Whether President Roosevelt will take any action, as he has been urged to do in telegrams received from different labor organizations throughout the country in connection with Judge Wright's decision, has not been decided, it was stated at the White House yesterday. It was explained there that the president had not read the decision, and therefore cannot say if he will take any action. There was an intimation, however, that some action might be taken if he should be convinced that the sentence is unjust, if it should be affirmed upon appeal. The varjous lational concluded on page 12.) What Will Roosevelt Do? (Concluded on page 12.)

ROPE BREAKS, THREE DIE IN MINE SHAFT

Cobalt, Ont., Dec. 24.—Wm. Hamilton, of Ottawa; Fred Kelly, of West Templeton, Que, and Edward Nation, of St. Pierre, were killed in the Columbus mine yesterday by falling down a shaft through the breaking of the rope of a bucket in which they were descending.

BOMB THROWER'S SENTENCE.

Life Imprisonment for Man Who Blev Up Jim Gallagher's House at 'Frisco.

dians yesterday was found guilty of dynamiting the home of former Supervisor James L. Gallagher, the star witvisor James L. Gallagher, the star wit-ness for the prosecution in the San Francisco bribery cases. Claudians was sentenced to life imprisonment. The jury-was out only eight minutes, and reached a verdief on the first bal-lot. Claudians waived appeal and started for San Quentin last night.

CATHEDRAL LOOTED.

Ornaments Torn From Tombs of Danish Kings by Sacreligious Hands.

Copenhagen, Dec. 24.—The cathedral at Roteskilde, the burial place for centuries past of the Danish Kings, was looted by burglars on Tuesday night and a large number of costly gold and silver, wreaths, urns and shields were carried away. The tombs of both King Christian and Queen Louise were robbed of all the valuable gold and silver memorials sent by the crowned heads of Europe and the cities of Denmark.

PLUNGES DAGGER INTO 18-YEAR-OLD GIRL

Italian Assailant is Chased Through Montreal Streets and Captured.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 24.—Plunging a Montreal, Que., Dec. 24.—Plunging a dagger three times into the body of his companion, an 18-year old girl, with whom he had been walking along University street, an Italian yesterday afternoon committed a deed that aroused the indignation of those who witnessed the stabbing and led to a desperate chase through the neighboring atreets, ending in the assailant being finally brought to bay, overpowered, and handed over to the police. The girl was taken to a hospital, where her condition is reported as dangerous, although she may recover. She gerous, although she may recover. She gave the name of Seliac Pastille while her assailant is Francesco Barlo, 23

NO U. S. SYNDICATE IN PANAMA CANAL DEAL

Receiver of Old Company Characterizes Story as a Fable.

Paris, Dec. 24.—In view of a possible congressional investigation in the United States into the Panama canal purchase, M. Lemarques, the receiver of the old company, who hitherto has declined to be interviewed, made the

"While I do not desire to go into de-tails or participate in the polemic now raging in America, I do not hesitate, in speaking from personal knowledge, to brand the story of the existence of the boot and shoe workers, union, expressed similar disapproval of the declision.

Mine Workers' Protest,

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 24.—W. D.
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by the court, it would be improper-for
me to say more. Both tradition and
practice make it impossible for me
to disclose the list of individual bondholders to whom the money is supposed eventually to olders to whom the money was dis-

Another authority asserts that the American interest in the canti-comparatively insignificant, being fined practically to a single New banker, whose holdings long antedated the project of the American purchase. He estimated the amount that went to America as well below \$500,000.

BISHOP OF SOUTH JAPAN.

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Toronto, Ont., Dec. 24.—Port Arthur is the provisional subsidy to the Lake Superior branch of G. T. P. rativated the defence of the coronn

MANITOBA TO CUT PHONE RATES

PROBABLE FULFILMENT OF LONG-STANDING PROMISE

Government Management of System Proves Success-Profits During First Year.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 24.-In the immediate future, probably before the end of the year, an announcement will be

of the year, an announcement will be made by the government of a reduc-tion in the present phone rate.

Under government ownership it is expected that the profits for the first year will amount to approximately \$225,000. This has been brought about by a careful saving of expenses and also by a judiclous raising of rates in certain classes which had hitherto been too low.

too low.

As far as can be learned, although nothing has yet been definitely decided, residence 'phones in Winnipeg will cost about \$20 after the first of the year and business 'phones will cost in the neighborhood of \$30 or \$35 against \$50 now charged. Throughout the province similar reductions will be made wherever results but in every case. ever possible but in every case the rates will be considerably lower than

rates will be considerably lower than those now charged.

Careful estimates show that under the proposed rate the 'phone system will be self-supporting, in fact will show a small surplus every year while the new lines to be constructed will the new lines to be constructed will also be supported by their own revenue.

POSTAL RETURNS.

Department Has Net Surplus of \$1, 082,301—Nearly 400 Million Letters Sent,

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—The report of the Ottawa, Dec. 24.—The report of the postmaster-general for the year ended March 31st shows a net surplus of \$1,-082,301, the best showing in the history of the Canadian post office. This surplus is in spite of a very large expansion in the postal service, including the establishment of 446 new post offices. It is estimated that 286,011,600 letters were posted in Canada in the twelve months ending March 31, an increase over the previous year of 31,-316,000.

ONE DEAD, FOUR INJURED. IN NEW YORK BLAZE

Prompt and Heroic Work of Firemen Saves Many Lives.

New York, Dec. 24.—One man was killed, three other men and a woman were seriously burned, and the lives of were seriously burned, and the lives of many others were saved only by prompt and heroic work by firemen and the tenants themselves, in a fire that wrecked the five-story apartment house at 122 West 127th street early today. The fire damage was about \$15,000

MONTANA TRAIN ROBBERY.

Man Wanted For Crime Believed to Be Under Arrest.

St. Paul, Minn. Dec. 24.—Geo, T. Frankhauser, believed to be the man who with a companion robbed the Oriental Limited train on the Great Northern railway near Rondo, Mont., on Sept. 9, 1907, of about \$40,000, is under arrest at Moorhead, Minn. Rewards aggregating \$13,000 have been offered for his capture and conviction.

EMBEZZLEMENT OF \$15,000.

London, Ont., Dec. 24.—Proceedings ave been dropped in the case of W. H. Bartram, a well known local law-yer, charged with embezzling \$15,000 from Marion Bowles, a client. This means that Bartram goes as a free man, but it is understood that Mrs. Bowles will receive about \$3,000 of the

BISHOP OF SOUTH JAPAN

BIG FALLING OFF

(Special to the Timea.)
Ottawa, Dec. 24.—The totalimmigration to Clausda for the
eleven months ending November was 148,754. a decrease of
124,553, or 45 per cent, compared
with the corresponding months
of last year. Immigration via
ocean ports totalled 85,483, a decrease of 125,243 or 55 per cent.
Immigration from the United
States was 54,271, an increase of
660 over last year.

CASTRO WILL NOT INTERFERE

DEPOSED PRESIDENT MAKES STATEMENT

No Difficulties to Be Placed in Way of Present Administration.

BIG HOMESTEAD RUSH.

Six Hundred Entries Stalt With in One Day at Moose Jaw.

Moose Jaw, Sask., Dec. 24.—The Don ion land office staff established a recher on Tuesday, when as a result of atrenuous day's work they received 600 tries for homesteads and pre-emptions.

nse Jaw district. The figures for the local land office with regard to entries during the past three months have thrown all previous records out of gear. The previous biggest single day's entries was Sept. I'th, when 37 were made. On Monday the total reached 384, but Tuesday's figures make the other records look small.

Such a rush for land never was seen before here, and possibly nover will again. The streets of Moose Jaw present a stirring sight, and fresh batches of landhungry men are coming in by every train and by every trail leading to the city.

MARITAL TROUBLES MAY BE AIRED IN COURT

Defence in Yacht Club Murder Case Bases Hope in T. J. Hains' Story.

Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 24.—The state's case against Thornton J. Hains nears its close. District Attorney Darrin said that he hoped all the prosecution's witnesses could be heard before an adjournment is taken over Christings until Saturday. The wives of three members of the Bayside Yacht Club, where Wm. E. Annis was shot and killed, are

GRAFT SCANDAL ON BIG SCALE

PITTSBURG THRILLED BY BRIBERY SENSATION

Revelations in Examination of Councilmen-"Reached" by Small Sums.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 24.-Pittsburg as shaken from end to end yesterday by thunderbolts of sensational testi-mony in connection with the newly disclosed municipal legislative scanda The troubles of San Francisco are pop ularly declared to be tame in ison. Furthermore it is stated that the developments yesterday are mere pre-liminaries to subsequent steps against

The testimony offered in court yes-terday intimated strongly that, over three score councilmen are "easy to reach," and the "reaching" necessitat-ed only small sums, ranging from the Berlin, Dec. 24.—Cypriano Castro to Gay gave a statement to the Associated Press which amounts virtually to the abandonment of his present claims to the present of the Associated Press which amounts virtually to the abandonment of his present claims to the present of the present follows:

"After taking cognisance of everything printed in the newspapers from Venezuela. I doubt the attitude there in attributed to the present government at Caracas. But I will have more to say on this subject when I am in better health and when I have full knowledge of what has occurred.

"In any event I shall place no difficulties in the way of the present administration of Venezuela excelling the pending controversies with foreign governments, even if this should in the affairs of the nature for the accused, who stated that the bank moving covernments, even if this should in the affairs of the nature in the accused, who stated that the bank would a so other banks have doubt by the pending controversies with foreign governments, even if this should in the affairs of the nature in the accused, who stated that the bank would a so other banks have doubt by the present administration of Venezuela in the accused, who stated that the bank would a so other banks have done of the bank of the private sanabody and the accused who stated that the bank would a so other banks have done of the bank of the private sanabody and a short time later left the bank. The binking the private sanabody and a sompanion entered the room and the money was gone. At the request of the bank officials, resigned last Saturday. They were held in bonds of \$14,000 each.

The seven councilmen, President provides by a jury last night in the solicit bank of the private and he was about \$20,000 and the private and the maximum pendicular to the solicit banks and the common council, and Akkinson, of the solice board, were then called for the solicit banks and the was about \$20,000 and the private and the maximum pendicular to the solicit banks and the was about \$20,000 an ed only small sums, ranging from \$100 to \$500, and out of a mass of testimony

Wassen, Melaney, and Ferguson, of the common council, and Atkinson, of the select board, were then called for hearing. The principal witness was Robert Wilson, a private detective and superintendent of the municipal league of Scranton, Pa., who is employed by the Voters' League of Pittsburg, which brings the complaint against the nine defendants.

Mr. Wilson's testimony was sensa-tional, Aided by an assistant it was

sir, wison's testimony was sensa-tional. Added by an assistant, it was told that Wilson engaged a room in a local hotel, cut holes in the door and walls of an adjoining room. Then a series of meetings was arranged with councilmen. His assistant, Herbert Jones, posed as a business man destr-ing certain ordnances passed and deing certain ordinances man desirmake
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below completely councils were controlled by the accused men, the detective said. It was also testified that
Klein and Brand each accepted 550
from Jones in payment for securing
the passage of an ordinance.

At a meeting held in another local
hotel, Klein, it was testified that
Councilman Klein told of how \$45,000
had to be split between sixty councilmen.

This money was alleged to have been
received in connection with the construction of the filter beds at the new
filtration plant of Pittsburg. Councilman Klein, Mr. Wilson testified, said
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NEW ORLEANS TRAIN WRECK. Number of Rallway Officials Are Charged With Manslaughter,

New Orleans, La. Dec. 24.-As a New Orleans, La. Dec. 24.—As a result of the disastrous wreck on the New Orleans & Northeastern railway, within a few minutes of New Orleans, on November 11th, in which 33 Hves were lost and a dozen or more people were lost and a dozen or more people severely injured, the grand jury yesterday returned indictments charging manslaughter against the following: N. G. Persall, general superintendent of the New Orleans Great Northern; H. E. Flanagan, divisional superintendent of the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted, obtain the rest of the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted, obtain the several of the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted, obtain the several of the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted, obtain the several obtained to the New Orleans of the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern; J. O. Armsted obtained to the New Orleans & Northeastern & New Orleans & Northeastern & New Orleans & dent of the New Orleans & Northeast-err; J. O. Armstead, chief train dis-patcher of the New Orleans Great Northern; Heary Slager, conductor, and A. E. Hughson, engineer of the New Orleans Great Northern, The in-dicted men were required to furnish acods in the sum of \$1,000 cach,

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CHRISTMAS CHEER FOR **NEW YORK STARVING ONES**

Salvation Army Will Feed Million and a Half People in U. S. A.

New York, Dec. 24.—A million and a half of men, women and children throughout the country, including 125,-000 in Greater New York City alone,

NIGHT RIDERS CASE.

Union City, Tenn. Dec. 24. — The state attorneys in the Night Riders' trial yesterday afternoon announced that they would close their case to-day. The defence will be an alibi for each of the eight defendants. Members of their families will swear that the men were at home and in bed during the night of October 19th, the night that Captain Ranken was murdered. No attempt will be made to show their whereabouts the nights that other outrages were perperrated as the defendants are indicted only for the murder of Ranken.

COMMERCIAL TRAVELERS

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 26.—At the annual banquet of the Commercial Travelers' Association of Canada last night, Provincial Secretary Hanna said steps would be taken to make a higher standard for hotels in Ontario, to which hotel keepers will have to adhere to. An official will be appointed to devete himself exclusively to the inspection of country hotels.

MAKING HOLIDAY A HAPPY ONE

ARRANGEMENTS TO BRING JOY TO ALL

Entertainments Will Be Given at Many of the Public Institutions.

Christmas is the one holiday that is preceded by such strenuous preparawould seem to be absolutely nec business men and all other classes in the city will be followed by the fullest enjoyment of Christmas day. While the occasion is one essentially dear to the hearts of children and is a "home" the hearts of children and is a "home" day, there are those who in the discharge of duty or in their efforts to make the event an enjoyable one to others not so favorably situated as themselves must spend at least a part of the day abroad. Fortunately it promises to be true Victoria weather which will facilitate the work of those who are called forth. While the greater part of Canada is enjoying the Christmas time under the conditions peculiate to a winter of frost and snow, Victorians are permitted to gather flowers in the gardens for the day.

him, wanted \$100, some \$15, and some \$25, and still others \$5. According to \$5. councilman Klein, Wilson related, the \$5. councilmen were known as "hood-iums." It was also possible to secure some councilmanic votes on some measures in return for a suit of clothes or for street car tickets.

With the exception of Klein and Wasson, all of the defendants immediately renewed their bonds for appearance for court trial and were relieved. In the aggregate the bonds.

NIGHT HIDERS CARE. ridor near the women's and children' wards, thus giving all those in the hos wards, thus giving all those in the hos-pital an opportunity of hearing the Christmas bells. All friends are invit-ed. The programme will include the following selections: The Village Chimes, Christmas Awake, Adeste Fideles, Hark the Herald Angels Sing, Mariners Hymn, Vesper Hymn, God Bless the Prince of Wales, British Grenadiers, Alpine Melodies, God Save-the King.

Grenadiers, Alpine Melodies, God Save the King.

At St. Joseph's hospital, the staff will render a programme of Christmas music for the benefit of those who are unable to leave their beds. It will be given in the afternoon at a time which will suit the convenience of all.

The workers of the W. C. T. U. mis-sion on Yates street are giving a Christmas treat to the homeless men of the town to-morrow at noon. The

Christmas treat to the homeless mes the town to-morrow at noon, usual abundant supply of good thi will be branded, and Mrs. Field, her associates will do all in their po-to brighten the lives of their guests At the Protestant Orphanage children will not be forgotten. Ti (Concluded on page 13)

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CARS COMMENCE RUNNING AT 9 A. M. LAST CARS LEAVE CITY FOR ALL POINTS AT 11:40 P. M.

20 MINUTE SERVICE ON FORT ST. AND OAK BAY LINES, THE SAME AS SUNDAY.

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The Christmas Dinner We Are Sure Will be Delicious

IT WON'T HAVE THAT BEGRUDGING FLAVOR OF HIGH PRICES SO MUCH THIS YEAR

We Have Lots to be Thankful For, Haven't You?

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re will be closed from Christmas Eve. till the following Monday morning. Our men and horses require a rest, and they are going to get it.

> Wishing You All the Compliments of the Season

> > RESPECTFULLY YOURS,

Copas & Young

The funeral of the late Joseph Evans took place yesterday afternoon from the Hanna chapet at 2:30 o'clock. The Sons of England, of which society the deceased was a hander, was well represented. Member, was well represented. Member, was well represented. Member in the soldiers from Work Point the soldiers from Work Point for semi-military in character. The services were conducted by A J. Brack. At the cemetry students a year.

Cambridge University admits 12 new seudents a year.

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More Arrests Probable

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Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 24.—While the graft scandal or Pittsburg has been halted in so far as the making of additional arrests is concerned, it is intimated and believed that this is only temporary. It is said the efforts of investigators will now be directed towards others implicated in the alleged towards others implicated in the alleged towards others implicated in the alleged corruption as the seven councilmen and two former bankers arrested Mon-day night have been held for trial.

One of the prisoners stated: Action was necessary and undoubtedly other persons guilty of grafting were frightened and making endeavors to elim-imate any trace of their participations, mate any trace of their participations.
Rumors are being circulated to-day
that a second raid will soon be made
against councilmen, and business men
who are charged with corrupting the
councils. The Voters' League of
Pittsburg is said to have prepared
twenty-two warrants for the arrest of
these persons.

SENSATION ON NEW

YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Two Members Suspended-Suspicious Dealings With Bankrupt Firm.

New York, Dec. 24.-W. H. Martin and Thomas W. Moorehead, members of the firm of Marshall, Spader & Co. stockbrokers, were suspended from the New York Stock Exchange to-day for three years. The suspension was inderstood to be the result of an investigation of the dealings of Marshall, Spader & Company with the falled firm of Coster, Napp & Company, It was announced on the exchange that the suspended members were charged with doing business in a manner inconsist-ent with just and equitable principles

TO CHALLENGE WINNER.

Jeffries Has Man to Meet Victor in

Los Angeles, Dec. 24. James J. Jeffries, proprietor of the Jeffries Athletic Club, and former champion, has cabled to Australia a challenge for the winner of the Burns-Johnson fight in Sydney, to fight the winner of the Kautman-Barry fight in Los Angeles, the contest to take place in this city.

The cablegram was sent to Hugh D. McIntosh, who is managing the world's championship affair in Australia. The offer made was a substantial one, and should be alluring to the winner of the championship in Australia. Jeffries championship in Australia. Jeffries professes to believe that the winner of professes to believe that the winner of the Kaufman-Barry fight will have a right to aspire to a match with the winner of the Burns-Johnson fight, and that his club is the best club to han-dle the affair.

—Seth Chamberlain has the thanks of the Times staff for the opportune arrival of a box of choice cigars as a reminder of Christmas,

Christmas eve) the Family Cash Gro-cery, corner Douglas and Yates streets, will not open again, until Monday morning, thus giving their employees three days straight holidays,

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NEW REGIME OPENS WELL

VENEZUELA RESUMES TRADE WITH COLOMBIA

Emissary Sent to Europe to Settle Disputes With France and Holland.

Bogota, Colombia, Dec. 24.—The new Venezuelan government has announced that it will permit the resumption of trade over the frontier between Venezuela and Colombia at all frontier points. Relations between Venezuela and Colombia have been strained for several years past and President Castro at one time issued a decree prohibiting the entrance of merchandise from Colombia into Venezuela except over certain transportation routes in which he was financially interested.

Friendly Negotiations.

The Hague, Dec. 24.—The foreign office has been advised that Jose J. De Paul, until recently Venezuelan minister of foreign affairs, left La Guayra to-day for Paris and the Hague on a special mission from the New Venezuelan government to open negotiations for the settlement of the existing disputes between Venezuela and France and Holland.

and Holland.

EPIDEMIC OF

ROBBERIES AT REGINA

Six Occur Since Sunday Night, **But No Arrests Are** Made.

Regina, Sask., Dec. 24.-There have been a series of six robberies here since Sunday pight, and the fact that no one has been arrested has set citi-zens to thinking that it is time the po-

no one has been arrested has set citizens to thinking that it is time the police force "got busy."

Two homes were entered on Sunday evening but nothing of account stolen. On Monday the house, occupied by the help at the Alexandra hotel, was entered and watches, jewelry and money to a considerable value was taken. On Tuesday night Prosterman's store was entered and cigars were taken. Last night the residences of John Martin and John H. Hall, on Scarth street were entered, in two houses jewelry, watches and money, to the value of nearly five hundred dollars, were taken.

The police have a description of the man thought to be implicated, but no arrests have been made up to date. Last night several cases of women, followed or accosted on the streets, were reported to the city police but no arrests were made.

The police commission met last night and dismissed Constable Hoggarth from the force for negligence on he beat.

DASHES DOWN STEEP GRADE, WRECKING STATION

Freight Train Then Crashes Into Creamery Buildings-Wreckage Catches Fire.

Rochester, N. Y., Dec. 24.-A freight train on the Buffalo and Susquehanna railway, consisting of seventy-two cars, broke away this morning on a steep grade five miles from Addisonand dashed on its way to Addison, The engineer warned the crew and they jumped. At Addison the cars tore through the station at a terrific speed, jumped from the tracks, demolishing the station into kindling wood and then crashed into the buildings of the Howell Company, a creamery, wrecking them completely. The cars were

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halted here.

The wreckage of the creamery caught
fire and burned, together with the tangled mass of freight cars and their contents. The fire spread to a number of
passenger coaches on an Eric siding
and burned them. The collision and

Provincial Chief Appointed to Protect the Boundary Area.

A new provincial police district, known as the Boundary district, has been formed and will embrace the teritory comprised within the electoral riding of Grand Forks, Greenwood and Similkameen and will be formed from portions of the present provincial police districts of Vernon, Kamloops and Nelson.

The new district has been made owing to the addition of police work found necessary in the territory through the growth of settlement there. It has heretofore been under the control of Chief Provincial Constable W. J. Devitt, of Nelson, but the new area will be under the supervision of Chief Constable Charles J. Bunbury, of Kamloops, who will be transferred to Greenwood, where his headquarters are to be established. There are to be twelve provincial constables under him stationed at various centres in the district.

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It is reported that with the increase of population and the growth of settlement in the district it has become attractive to the criminals of the other side and the district being on the boundary affords these men easy escape under the old conditions. The new distribution of the police, however, it is felt by the authorities will do much to act as a preventive to criminals from the other side coming into the district. The province is now divided into twelve provincial police districts.

Self FIRE IN MONTREAL.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 24.—Lamy's departmental store on Notre Dame street was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is \$75,000.

DOW—The funcal of the late Mrs. Annie Dow will take piace on Saturday. Dec. 26th, 166m the family registered that was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss is \$75,000.

C. P. R. DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY

(Special to the Times).

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 24.—The industrial department of the C. P. R. was organised to-day. P. W. Peters will be in charge. It is expected to be of great value in the development of the West. The Co-operation of boards of trade in the West is to be sought, and information concerning the resources and requirements of each district are to be furnished. (Special to the Times)

CITIZENS FINANCE SOCCER TEAM'S TRIP

Thrity Dollars Collected To-day to Send Eleven to Nanaimo.

Thanks to the generous support of public spirited citizens of Victoria the Victoria soccer team will go to Namimo on Saturday to play Nanaimo, the return game in the Pacific Coast League schedule.

League schedule.

The announcement was published in the Times last night that the local executive being out of funds would be unable to secure a full team, the members of which were willing to pay their individual expenses for the trip, and the fact that the team would be liable to a fine of \$50 in the event of not filling the date.

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This morning a gathering of soccer
men was held informally at Peden
Bros., when a suggestion was made
that as the players had done their full
share of advertising Victoria in other
cities and thus brought considerable
trade to the city, this and other years,
citizens should return the compliment ns should return the compl citizens should return the compilment and subscribe the sum necessary to send the team away. Sam Lorimer announced he had five men ready and willing to pay their own expenses, and close figuring showed that about \$30 would be wanted to pay the expenses of the other six men.

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C. G. Duncan, president of the Island league, and Secretary Beaney, of
the Pacific coast league, were straightway delegated to canvass the city.
Within an hour the delegation had returned with \$30 collected, and the team will leave Saturday morning.

The team will probably be selected from Beaney, Lorimer, Prevost, Shanks, Sheriff, R. Whyte, Rothwell, Williams, Cowans, Okell, Sedger and

J Young.
Those who contributed to the fund are. Harry Hemming, Driard hotel, who-headed the list with \$5; T. D. Veltch, Meldrum & Moloney, J. C. Macintosh, C. Richards, of Wilson Bros.; John Miller, L. Marks, Capt. Cullin, Mayor Hall, E. S. Tait, A. Levy, Peden Bros., J. Schlegors, A. Cales, J. G. Brown, J. J. Shallcross, A. Coles, J. G. Brown Jesse Evans and Percy Richardson,

TO BOYCOTT NEWSPAPER IS INDICTABLE OFFENSE

Methods Adopted to Re-establish Racing in New Orleans.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 24 .- "To boycott a newspaper doing an inter-state business is an offence which falls directly under the decision of the Supreme court in the Danbury Hatters case," said Judge E. D. Saunders, of the United States district court, in charging the grand jury here yester-day. Judge Saunder's charge to the federal grand jury and the investiga-tion which was begun immediately by that body started another chapter in the story of a determined effort to re-establish racing in New Orleans. It was charged by the court that saloons, hotels and other interests of the city were combined to boycott a newspaper which opposed racing and race track gambling in its editorial columns. Before adjourning for the day the grand jury heard soveral witnesses in the matter. charging the grand jury here yester

portion of this population to censor and dictate what the newspapers of this city shall be permitted to say in their discussion of public questions," said Judge Saunders to the jury, "And if there is a conspiracy of this kind then it behooves you to investigate it thoroughly, and indict the men engaged in it, so that they may undergo the severest penalties that the law may inflict upon them."

TWO SHIPS ARRIVE.

Overdue Ship Broadicea Now Lying in Royal Roads on Way to

Ship Boadicea, 31 days out from San Ship Roadicea, at days out from Sar Francisco, and the Chilian barque Ricart de Soler, arrived in the Royal Roads this morning. The former will load lumber at Vancouver for the United Kingdom. The Rocart de Soler is from Iquique.

The Boadicea was overdue and much anxiety was being felt at her hoa ar-

rival. HIS EIGHTIETH BIRTHDAY.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 24.—H. P. Dwight, president of the Great Northwestern Telegraph Company, yesterday reached his 50th year, an oscalon marked by the presentation to him by officials of the company of a handsome scarf pin.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 24.—Lamy's de-partmental store on Notre Dame street, was destroyed by fire this morning. The loss fi \$75,000,

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FOR MEN President Braces, a pair 50c.
Mufflers, 50c., \$1.00, and \$1.50
Fancy Socks, 30c. and 50c.
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CHRISTMAS IN CITY CHURCHES

SPECIAL SERVICES TO BE HELD TO-MORROW

Many Local Congregations Will Fittingly Observe the Day.

In many of the city churches to-mo w special Christmas services will be eld to mark the greatest day in the thurch calendar. The following are

Christ Church Cathedral,

Christmas services will be held to norrow morning. There will be Holy communion at 7 and 8 o'clock, and the hristmas service at 11 o'clock. The building has been very tastefully de-corated for the occasion, and the choir will render special music. The organ-has been considerably improved, and its beautiful tones will be heard with enhanced value to-morrow. Christmas carols will be sung next Sunday even-ing, and the Sunday after.

St. Barnabas.

The Christmas celebration will com-mence this evening at 11:36 with the midnight celebration. This will be a Communion service commemorating Communion service commemorating the announcement to the shepherds. At this service the choir will sing a number of familiar carols, and a special feature will be the accompaniment of some of these carols by the handbell ringers. The ringers have been steadily practicing with the bells recently procured in England, and the beautiful tone of the bells will add much to the music of the carols.

The usual services will also be held on Christmas Day, Holy Communion at 8 and 2 a. m., Matins at 16.30 and Choral Eucharist and sermon at 11 a. m., by Rev. E. G. Miller on "The incarnation." The church will be suitably decorated for the occasion. The music follows:

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follows:
Organ—The Pastoral Symphony ... Handel
Processional Hymn—Hark, the Herald
Angels Sing
Communion Service ... Simper in A Flat
Anthem—The Angel Gabriel ... Simper
Hymns ... 5, 22, 22 and 61
Nunc Dimittis ... St. John
Organ—For Unto Us a Child Is Born.
Organ—For Unto Us a Child Is Born.
Handel

Gueen's Academy Holds Exercises at End
of the Term.

St. Saviour's,

St. Saviour's.

In the Victoria West Anglican church.
Christmas will be remembered by Holy.
Communion at 7 and 8 a. m., and.
evensons at 4.30 p. m. The rector, Rev.
C. E. Cooper, will conduct the services, and the building will be tastefully decorated.

Metropolitan Metropolitan,

The Christmas Day service will be held in the Metropolitan Methodist church at 11 o'clock. The choir will render an anthem and Mr. Marsh will sing "Nazareth." The pastor, Rev. T. E. Holling, will give an appropriate address, the service being limited to exactly one hour.

Centennial, Service will be held in the church at II a. m. on Christmas Day and Rev. S. J. Thompson will preach a sermon on a lopic suggested by the day. There will be bright singing, and a very hearty welcome awaits all who attend.

St. Andrew's Cathedral.

At 11 o'clock to-morrow morning as

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At 11 o'clock to-morrow morning a service will be held in the Church of Our Lord conducted by the rector, Rev. T. W. Gladstone. The service will be to followed by the sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

German Lutheran.

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The German Lutheran congregation will hold their Christmas service and Christmas carols will be sung at their church on Mears street on Christmas night at 7.30. The children have practised for the occasion, and a Christmas tree and presents will be distributed. All Germans interested are asked to be present.

Telephone 564 In twelve months tigers in India were responsible for the death of see human beings and 28,714 head of cattle.

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COL. HOLMES EXTENDS HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Fifth Regiment Begins Regufar Drill Early in the New Year.

The latest orders issued by Col. Hall, commanding the Fifth Regiment C. G. A., are as follows:

The following extract from D. O. 123, par. 3. December 17th, is published for general information:

"Colonel J. G. Holmes, D. O. C. desires to convey to all ranks of the

sires to convey to all ranks of the forces under his command his best wishes for the coming Christmas and New Year."

The regular drill season will commence on January 4th. The company drill nights being as heritofore: Mondays, No. 3 Company; Tuesdays, No. 1 Company; Wednesdays, No. 2 Company.

Recruits will parade on Wednesday evenings, commencing January 13th, under Co.-Sgt.-Maj.-Instr. Macdonaid, R. C. G. A.

The signallers will parade under Captain S. Booth on Mondays commencing the signal of the si

St. James'

Rector, Rev. J. H. S. Sweet. On Christmas Day there will be a celebration of the holy community of the holy the children of the holy community of the holy the children of the holy the children of the holy community of the holy the children of the holy community of the holy the children of the holy carried out in every detail by the children. The school resist of the holy community of the holy the children of the holy carried

Preficiency—Second reader: 1, E Hart; 2, Rose O'Meara. First reader—Gwendoline Verrinder. Second primer—Hagel Fowler. First reader—Gwendoline Verrinder.

Second primer—Hagel Fowler.

First primer—Class A, Madge Randali;
class B, Dolly McBride, Kathleen Veltch;
class B, Georgiana Hawes.

Deportment—Dorothy Boggs.

Perfect in regularity—Ellen Hart, Elva
Rogerson, Roberta Balcom.

Neatness—Roberta Balcom.

Rapid improvement—Geolly Forester.

Politeness—Edda Sanders.

Promotions to intermediate division—

Ellen Hart, Roge O'Meara,

Intermediate Division.

Ellen Hart, Rose O'Meara,
Intermediate Division.
Promotions—Third reader to Fourth
reader: Dorothy Moore, Rossile Newman,
Elleen Miller: Fourth reader to Senior
division: Edith Galley, Regina Verrinder,
Dorothy Newman, Myrtle Bryce.
Deportment—Edith Galley, Regina Verrinder.
Regularity—Virtue Errington, Edith
Galley, Rossile Newman, Kathryn Bradshaw.
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Neatness—Dorothy Newman, Myrtle
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CHRISTMAS TREAT.

Children of St. Andrew's Sunday School Hold Entertainment,

The children of St. Andrew's Sunday school had their annual Christmas entertainment last evening. The younger children had tea at 5 o'clock and the older ones at six, while later on chil-dren and grown-ups gathered upstairs. The proceedings were opened with a short address from Rev. W. Lealic Clay, who congratulated the children and teachers on the happy results of the year's work together, and wished all a merry Christmas and a most prosper-

ous new year.

A very enjoyable programm rendered, including a chorus by the tots of the primary class; a recitation by Miss Jean Burridge; a whistling
solo, "Let Us 'Away." by Miss Mabel
Carruthers, who gave "Joy Bells." in
response to a very hearty encore; plano
solos by Misses Phoebe Lay, Margaret
Clay and Alice Murisett; recitations by
Misses Ella Pottinger, Mildred Robertson, and Rietta Robertson, and Jimmie
Pottinger; duet by Misses Jean and
Margaret Burridge; songs by Misses
Kate Renwick and Jean Burridge;
choruses by Miss Polson's. Miss
Spring's and Miss Paterson's classes:
and dialogues by Miss Sinclair's class.
The programme concluded with "The
Maple Leat." in which everyone joined
heartily. tle tots of the primary class; a recita-

heartly.

Following this Santa Claus came in Following this Santa Claus came in in the person of J. R. Eldridge, dressed in coon coat, fur cap, long beard and sleigh bells. He gave each child a large package of apples, candles and nuts. The children, on their part, are sending gifts to the Indian children of sending girts to the indual children of the Ahouset mission on the west coast. On the first Sunday in January prizes will be given in the Sunday school to the two members of each class who, have shown the greatest general pro-ficiency and been most regular in at-

The trees and shrubs which produce some sort of rubber grow in a narrow belt round the world, within five degrees north and south of the equator.

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BANK TREASURER'S SUICIDE.

with the Worcester Mechanics Savings Bank, and for seven years its treasurer, was found dead by suicide at his home to-day. Bank officials express the be-lief that his accounts are correct, as two examinations have been held re-

TRADE COMMISSIONER DEAD.

Alexander MacLean Was Formerly Well Known Newspaperman in Eastern Canada.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—Alexander MacLean, Canadian trade commissioner to China, is dead at Shanghai. News of his death was received at his former home lices, but not the details. Mr. Mariean was formerly a well known newspaperman, publisher and writer, and was at one time part owner of the Montreal Herald. He was 73 years old

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Mrs. Creok, Victoria West Post Office,
T. Redding, Graigflower Rd., Victoria W.
J. T. McDonald, Oak Bay Junction.
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Portland, Ore.—Oregon News Co., 141
Sixth Street.

On the eve of Christmas, 1908, just of the faith which bears His name was born into the world, and in the light the congregations to set the seal of of the new spirit of tolerance which their approval upon this understanding we believe animates and vitalises the races of the world, it may be interesting, and we hope also profitable, to consider the vast number of years that passed over the heads of mankind ere Church of England, the maintenance the true purport and intent of the Master's teachings became "manifest in the flesh." A reader of the Times has been good enough to send us a. copy of T. P.'s Weekly, a London journal, containing a review of a book cided to remain separate and distinct dealing with the Remittance Man in until a more convenient season. But Canada. As Canadians we are all more the joint committee is hopeful that beor less interested in the fortunes of this unique product of the British social system, and, in general, we agree with his biographer that once he "finds himself" and adjusts his compasses in consonance with surrounding influences, "he is the salt of the earth." But in the journal referred to there is a review of another class of work which may be studied possibly with greater profit, and with deeper interest, at this particular season. It is a criticism of a book called "The Girlhood of Mary Queen of Scots." To some of the quotations from this work shall be a first charge on the revenue we shall direct the attention of our from this trust. If it be found that readers for the purpose of Mustrating differences in the constitution and adthe point stated above—the wonderful ministration of the several funds are of Christianity during the three nun-not be a bar to the carrying out of the general plan, because in that case Stuart fived a gay but busy life in France, absorbing wisdom at the feet of her uncle Cardinal Guise, and died a martyr to the exigencies of state in uniting churches be constituted, pro-ing a possible strain upon their loy-fingland. Many accounts have been viding for (a) the assessing of each alty. Surely an example of hysterical the beautiful queen and Calvin and Knox, representing one extreme in union, and of all ministers received theological belief as Cardinal Guise did into or ordained in the United Church the other. Extended reference to such after union, on the basis of stipend nes would be out of harmony with writer says, the teachings of the great (b) the collecting of contributions. Founder of the Christian faith "would have prevented Mary, or at least

ligious beliefs of our fellow-men:

peace and goodwill reign from the Pacific Slope to the Atlantic seaboard.

A great deal has been said and writ-

en upon the subject of the unsurpass

of the speakers and writers have had nothing more substantial upon which man in Victoria, however, who by rea on of training and knowledge person vailed upon to tell what he actually island. That man is Mr. W. J. Sutton mining engineer, geologist and geo crapher. Mr. Sutton says Vancouver Island possesses the greater portion of the timber resources of British Columbia, and he gives the natural reason Island is also exceptionally rich in iron and coal, while it has a coast line of spwards of five thousand miles. But what is the use of all this wealth when practically nothing is being done to garner it? Mr. Sutton says there ought o be a thorough geological survey of made accessible to prospectors and invork of roads and tralls. He has put the consideration of the committee naving in hand the matter of advertising the resources and the attractions of the Island. The data gathered by Mr. Sutton should be laid before the government and the benefits which would pointed out.

CHURCH UNION IN CANADA. Leaders in the movement for the

nion of the Methodist, the Presbyterian and the Congregational Churches of Canada confidently express the belief that before the end of 1910 the great work which has been pregressing for several years will be accomplished. The object in view is said to be the most important to engage the attensince the establishment of the federation of the Dominion. The popular betier when the idea of union was first broa hed was that the great gulf beween the Arminian and the Calvinistic could not be successfully bridged, at least for many a year. But, according to leaders upon both sides, a basis of agreement satisfactory the disciples of Arminius and Calvin has been reached. It but remains for and the organic union will be complete. For a time the hope was entertained that greater things in the interests of the church in Canada might be accomplished; but in the case of the of the historic episcopacy being con eldered essential, an insuperable cle to the inclusion of that body within the union was encountered for the time being; while the Baptists also, for reasons they considered just as vital, defore many years shall pass over the partially accomplished may be completed.

The administrative basis of union is

ments of the various benevolent funds of the uniting churches, and the income now contributed to those funds by publishing interests be combined The rights of present claimants and of prospective claimants (the latter being computed as of the date of the union me over the spirit such as to necessitate separate trusts, instead of a common trust, this shall it would appear, making light of Cantheir revenues shall be combined. suggests, should be construed into an "(2) That a new scheme of the affront to the Canadian people, involven of verbal renconters between minister who is a member of any of Imperialism (New York Tribune.)

If it is true that he gives twice who gives quickly, it is equally true that he supreme Court may determine, and

(b) the collecting of constant which shall be obligatory upon all congregations, based upon an Mary's advisers, from burning Calvin congregations, based upon a story the good of his soul, nor Calvin from burning her beautiful body as able allocation or assessment under preme Court of the United Church part of the devil's enginery for keeping The minimum of such allocation or assessment shall be the amount rerion." What a relief to turn from a quisite, together with the revenue from the trust and the foregoing asnen from the knowledge of true relisessment upon ministers, to make good the claims of claimants upon a entle Saviour to a contemplation of the benign spirit which dominates the and contributors to the funds." we are not only—in Canada, by the committee which undertook the task of smoothing away the obstacles

may be years before the union of those

fact, but this is certain, that a step has ably in Canada se realise as no-been taken which never can be retrucpartine benediction: "My peace ed. Those three churches have come

will bind them in a unity of faith and a co-operation of service which will e suppose, make their separbranches of Presbyterianism and of Methodism, will lead the way in th larger and more

ed things to be made straight in thi Harvard University of the free institu tions of the great republic of the Unit-ed States of America: "Government agencies themselves have often foster ed lawlessness. Executives have co plained of court decisions and have reproached judges for giving decision tives. Courts have been packed executive appointments in order rocure from those same courts sul the wishes or opinions of the execu-tives. Courts themselves have contraficted each other, have given decisions on technical grounds without expre ing an opinion on the merits, of the case, have divided as evenly as porible on important questions and have brought courts into contempt by long delays, by reversals of judgment and by multiplied appeals from court to ourt. Whenever through any of these causes failures of Justice occur ourts are brought into contempt and the spirit of lawlessness is fostered."

It is distressing to read about the poverty-stricken condition of hundreds of thousands of people in the great cities of the world to-day. Not in London alone are great multitudes going to be dependent upon the chari-tably-disposed for their Christmas cheer. The situation is practically as depressing in New York and in many of the cities of this continent of opportunities. And probably there can be no relief while the disposition of so many people to crowd into great centres remains. It has been so fram the beginning and will be till the end. Rural life has little attraction for individual who has been drawn into the maelstrom of the great city. The prevalent city idea is that upon the farm monotony, dull routine, and hard labor are the ordinary conditions, features more to be dreaded than the spectre of poverty. The streets of cities are at least gay, although in the called homes hunger and cold repreent the normal state of affairs. But there are few hungry "waems" to be fed by the Salvation Army in the rural districts of the continent of America,

We have many holidays throughout the year in Canada. Every nation has some particular holiday or anniversary of some kind which it celebrates with unusual fervor. Christmas is the only day in the year which is recognised by common consent as an international Holy Day, and is esteemed sacred by the whole of Europe, America, the greater part of Africa and a large portion of Asia. The whole of the Chris tian world will consequently cease from its ordinary labors to-morrow. As the Times will not be issued in the evening, we take this opportunity of The administrative basis of union is wishing all readers and patrons of the embodied in the following report of a paper a very merry Christmas. May e of unafloyed joy the season prove one of unalloyed joy and happiness to all the people of the

good city of Victoria. We gather from remarks dropped by on the nether side of the international boundary line that an event of great 'pulled off' Saturday will settle the pationality of bold Thomas Burns, Esq. If Tommy wins he will be an rican; if he loses he will be permitted to retain his Canadian nation-

A London music hall artist has been, conditions on t uniting churches be constituted, pro- ing a possible strain upon their loy-

THRICE BLESSED.

mas shopping three times as satisfac-torily to all concerned who does it both early in the season and early in the

· A GREAT MOVEMENT.

(Hamilton Herald.) A period of nearly two years is to be allowed for the church union movebe allowed for the church union move-ment to gather force. The question is to be voted on in the autumn of 1910. It is a question of even more importance than any national issue at a general election in this country for general any a year,

GET IT RIGHT. (New York Mail.) Dear linotype, be it far

bone County Court on Monday, and

wants to—
The Usher, red in the face and in a stentorian voice)—You must be quiet.—
I was only going to say—
His Homor (sternly)—Do you wish me to send you to prison for seven days?
A salm felt and the same to be a seven days?

A calm fell upon the court

A DOLLAR A WORD. Here is the way Lord Northeliffe's

ing exodus to Africa:

It is definitely aunounced that when President Robsevelt comes to write his secount of his hunting experience in Africa he will be paid at the rate of a dollar a word. May we expect something live the following: thing like the following: The (\$1) lion (\$1) stood (\$1)

Within (\$1) the (\$1) wood (\$1), I.(\$1) took (\$1) a (\$1) steady (\$1) aim

(\$1); My (\$1) bullet (\$1) sped (\$1), (\$1) he (\$1) lay (\$1) dead (\$1)—
(\$1) my (\$1) good (\$1) rifle (\$1)
slain (\$1).

Mrs. Mugins-My husband is a perfect

ACCIDENT ON FORT STREET.

John Pimm Has Two Ribs Broken in Mix-up,

This morning an accident happened on Fort street which at first was fear-ed might result in the death of John Fimm, a driver of one of the delivery wagons of the Windsor Greery. His injuries, however, are found not to be as serious as they were at first sposed to be, He is resting easily in Royal Jubilee hospital. Two ribs broken and he is generally shaken

Pimm was driving a loaded wagon up Fort street and had just passed the corner of Harrison street when warning was given from the car com-ing from down town. He crossed over the track just before the Carberry Gardens' entrance was gained,

Gardens' entrance was gained, has far natocan be learned the east bound car passed the rear part of the wagon alright, but the front step caught the front wheel, smashing it and precipitating the driver between the car and the wagon. Dr. J. A. Grahame was early on the spot and rendered assistance with others.

ise to all citizens from 3:30 p. to 5:30 p. m. on New Year's Day,

as is his custom at remembered the conductors and motor neers of the Oak Bay tramway line, h enting them with two boxes of ci-Bullen Bros. have remembered conductors and motorneers on the simal run, by presenting them

The formal opening of the new nurses home, at the Royal Jubilee hos-pital, will take place Tuesday after-noon, January 5th. Yesterday twentyeven of the nurses connected with the institution moved into their new quar-ters, and commenced to make them-selves comfortable. They express them-selves as delighted and well satisfied with their change.

WEATHER BULLETIN.

Victoria, Dec. 24.-5 a. m.-Low ure areas cover the prairie provinces

southerly winds, unsettled and cold, with rain or sleet.
Lower Mainband-Southerly winds, unsettled and cold, with rain or snow.

Victoria-Baronieter, 30.02; temperature, 41; minimum, 32; wind, 16 migles S.; rain, 30; weather, rainfine.

New Westiminster-Barometer, 30.04; temperature, 32; minimum, 34; wind, 3 miles S.; rain, 42; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops-Barometer, 29.32; temperature, 28; minimum, 22; whid, 4 miles S.; snow, 42; weather, clear.

San Francisco-Barometer, 30,30; temperature, 45; finimum, 45; wind, 4 miles N.; rain, 92; weather, cloudy.

Edmonton-Barometer, 20.70; temperature, 20/18 inimum, 4; wind, 4 miles N.W.; weather, clear.

DODDS KIDNEY PILLS KIDNEY

To-Night Xmas Eve.

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Joshua Kingham, who has been all for two weeks with an attack of pleurlay, was able to spend an hour down town to-day.

day.

Col. Gregory is leaving to-night for his former home in Frederickton, New Brunswick, owing to the illness of his father, Mr. Justice Gregory.

W. R. Coleman returned on the Princes Royal this afternoon from Seattle.

THE LADY OF BOX "C."

Mystery Solved of Beauty Who Daz-zled Theatre Audience.

Cambridge theatre one night recently was about fairly divided between "The Merry Widow" on the stage and ar

heavy rain all along the Coast.

conditions on the Pacific slope are unsettled and cold. East of the Rockies the weather is mostly cold and fair, except in Manitoba, where snow fs falling.

For 3 hours ending 5 p. m. Friday.

Victoria and vicinity—Moderate or fresh southerly winds, unsettled and cold, with rain or sleet.

Lower Mainland—Southerly winds, until Lower Mainland—Southerly winds, unsettled and cold, with the latter lady were three dewards of the rules of the rule

their luck.

And no wonder. The lady was young And no wonder. The indy was young and handsome, and spirited. She was superbly gowned in white satin, shimmering with sequine, and her glorious hair was dressed in the most fascinating "Merry Widow" style. She had a most agreeable smile, and the quantities of chocolate that she consumed indicated a very healthy appetite.

At least a score of the audience completely lost their hearts to her Jong or two cavillers said her hands were large, but they were indignantly slienced.

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for Scrap," Says Keeper of Zoo. Black Beauty, for twelve years the Beauty butted his adversary to his Jim Jeffries of the buffalo herd in the knees in ten minutes. In five minutes

two cavillers said her hands were large, but they were indignantly silenced.

And a few days later the sad truth leaked out. Both theatre officials and ruddence had been duped. The "lady" was an undergraduate, and the beautiful head of hir was the work of a tamous London costumier—who came down himself to conduct the final "touching up," and took the wig back with him.—London Chronicle.

The Sahara is not like a smooth sen beach of sand. It consists of boundless feagues of sand and stores and increase. The dead buffalo was brought to the supermacy.

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The dead buffalo was brought to the supermacy with here and increase and increase of his death, of acute gas all one of the keepers. "He was a supermacy which here and increase of his death, of acute gas all one of the keepers." He was a supermacy which here and increase of his death, of acute gas all one of the keepers. "He was a supermacy black beauty brooked no rival in the books on, looking for more scrap."

"He Died With His Boots On, Looking trim Black Beauty. The rest of the herd shivered withdrew to a cautious

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TIMES AD. CALENDAR

DECEMBER 24

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Local News

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To Seattle 25c, SS. Whatcom daily except Thursday, at 8 p. m.

-If you want to buy, sell or exchange anything, call at Brown's Auction Mairt, 742 Fort street,

—Old planes made new, scrapped off and finished in any color desired,—The Woodworkers, Ltd., 731 Johnson street. Phone 1165.

Delicately seasoned sausages and sausage meat for garnishing and dress-ing your Christmas turkeys, at the Cambridge Sausage Ritchen, 709 Fort

-Bon-bons, Xmas stockings, and other novelties; a good line, at Acton Brothers, 650 Yates, Telephone 1061.

-Do not forget that you can get an —Do not forget that you can get an express or truck at any hour you may wish. Always keep your checks until you have seen us, as we will save you the 10c on each trunk you have to pay to baggage agents on trains and boats. We will check your baggage from your hotel or residence, also store it. See us before you make your arrangements. We guarantee to salisfy everyone on arrice and the way we handle weep. before you must be satisfy everyone on price and the way we handle your goods. We consider it a favor if you will report any overcharges or incivility on part of our help,

Pacific Transfer Company,

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The children all said,
Before going to bed,
If Santa Claus brings The beautiful things

In Wilby's toy store, It will be a whole year Before we want more. So dear father and mother.

That we all saw

"Now, dear wife," The wise man saft, The children are snugly Tucked into bed. et's to Wilby's store go, Chey have the best show.

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Watches, Clocks, Jewelry at great reduced prices until 24th December imon, 1616 Government St.

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The Northern Pacific Railway Co is giving greatly reduced rates between all points in the West for Christman week. Tickets will be sold to-day December 25th and 31st, good until January 4th.

To-night is the last night. Be sure not to forget any of the following: Roast pan, platter, carvers, pocket knife, cup and saucer, shaving mug, razor, shaving brush. Get them at R. A. Brown & Co.'s, 1302 Douglas St.

-A children's Christmas service be held on Sunday morning, in the Church of Our Lord, at which the children of the Sunday school will sing

The Salvation Army will hold an entertainment and Christmas tree tonight in the hall, 'l412 Broad street, A good programme, consisting of songs, recitations and drills has been prepared by the children and Santa Claus has arranged to be present and will distribute the gifts. All are invited, Admission free.

A. M. Cleland, general passenger agent of the Northern Pacific Railway Company, has advised all agents that a total of 85,000 delegates will attend conventions to be held at Seattle in

-Call to-night at the Capital Furni-

A social gathering, in connection with the Metropolitan Church mission band, was held yesterday afternoon in the schoolroom of the church. Seasonable gifts of nuts, candles and oranges were distributed amongst the younger people. The Misses Spencer had charge of the social.

—Court Victoria, A. O. F., will hold their annual Christmas tree entertainment and dance next Saturday evening, at 7:39, in the A. O. U. W. hall. The members' children, numbering nearly one hundred and fifty, will receive presents from the big tree. In addition to the children, the following ladies' and gentlemen will take part: Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Reid, Mrs. Noakes; Messrs. Dobble, Melville, Wright, Saunders, Barden, Noakes and Askey.

CAR SERVICES FOR

CHRISTMAS DAY

Tramway Company's Schedules-Holiday on E. & N .-V. & S. Will Run as Usual.

Sundays. The first cars will leave the all points at 11.40. On the Oak Bay and Fort street route there will be the twenty-minute service the same as on Sundays. There was a special service on the Oak Bay line last night, the ten-minute care continuing throughout the evening, and this will be continued to-night in order to handle the large number of people who are coming into town for their Christmasshopping. It is probable that this service will continue to midnight.

On the Victoria & Sidney railway the service will be as usual except that the afternoon train will leave the city at four clock instead of three returning at 63.

There is a double train service on the E. & N. to-day, and to-morrow all the employees will take a holiday, no trains running throughout the day. There was a special service on the Oak

PURE FOOD SHOW FOR END OF NEXT MONTH

Display of Processes of Manufacture Will be Made at Institute Hall.

ing till January 30th, a pure food show will be held in Institute hall, View street, toria and on the Mainland will have the opportunity of displaying their goods to the public upon whom they rely for pat-renage. The show is not confined to Vic-

ronage. The show is not confined to Vic-toria and Vancouver, but is open to manu-facturers throughout the Dominion and extending into the American states. The public will have the opportunity of seeing the foods they eat in the raw state and of witnessing the processes of manu-facture. The object of the show is to support the sale and purchase of pure preparations.

preparations.

Institute hall, where the exhibition will take place, has been marked off into spaces for exhibitors and all have how been sold. The exhibition promises to be most successful, and is sure to have the patronage of all who are interested in the ingredients contained in the many foods that are now offered for their daily con-

CLOCK HAS STOPPED.

R. E. Greene Secures Diamond Ring Presented by F. McManus—Other Prize Winners.

The clock at the establishment of Felix McManus, the jeweler, Douglas street, which has been the object of much interest, has at last stopped. clock, which was advertised as an eight-day clock, ran twenty days, eight hours, forty-nine minutes and forty seconds. It stopped at 8:49:40 o'clock seconds. It stopped at 8:49:40 o'clock last eventing. The guess of the lucky winner, G. E. Greene, was thirty-two minutes after the clock stopped and he receives a beautiful diamond ring as a prize. Mr. Greene received thirteen lickets yesterday from a purchase, and once more thirteen has not proved un nicky. The others who won prizes were: Second J. Janet; third, F. Clark; fourth, A. White; fifth, J. W. Griffiths; sixth, D. Lewis; seventh, H. Stanell; eighth, C. King; ninth, E. Sears; tenth, C. H. Bernie; eleventh, Mrs. J. J. Sparrow; and twelfth, Mrs. C. Faikner.

DREW PRIZE

The weekly meeting for men will be held in Y. M. C. A auditorium on Sunday at 4 o'clock. A. J. Blace will deliver his annual message of advice and encouragement to young men, his subject being "The Other Wise Man."

A monthly journal will be published in connection with the St. John's church, under the direction of Rev. A. J. Stanley Ard. The first number will appear about the opening of the New Year, when the history of the church will be given, including very many interesting features.

A scool settle settle size of colored at the stroke of 3:30. Then a little girl chosen at random was placed on the counter, and the prize awarded to a little girl. Flossie Webster, of Coburg street, who very proud-live awarded to a little girl. Flossie Webster, of Coburg street, who very proud-

LAID AT REST.

Funeral of Late Mrs. Nelson Took Place To-Day.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Annie H. Nelson took place this afternoon from the family residence, Oak Bay avenue, to Christ Church cathedral, where services were held. The deceased was the widow of the late Uriah Nelson, a well known ploneer of the province. Mrs. Nelson was born in Adirondack, New York, and came here in 1865 as a bride. Her husband conducted business in Yale, for a number of years. Three dampters survive her. Mrs. J. C. Hayes, Mrs. G. A. Hartnagel and Miss Louise Nelson.

The streets, bridges and sewers committee will take a holiday to more-row evening but will hold a meeting carly naxt week.

WILKERSON'S

The House For Christmas Gifts

The progress of Victoria during the past two years is well illustrated in this up-to-date establishment. Recently remodelled and refitted, this store has now a magnificent effect particularly pleasing to the eye, its elegant fixtures and artistic arrangement in the proper blending of wares for harmonious effect proclaim it one of the best equipped jewelry stores in



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This is a favorite shopping place just now. Numerous patrons are finding here an exceedingly choice display of Christmas goods, unsurpassed in quality, and prices most satisfactory. Many charming gift things may be found here priced modestly at 25c, and 50c. This display embraces the very latest creations in modern jewelry, sterling silver, English and Canadian plated table ware, cut glass, oak goods. English cutlery, leather goods, umbrellas, mission clocks, etc., also an exquisite collection of art china and other imported novelties particularly appropriate for this festive season. Natural endowment, long and valuable experience in the jewelry business, an extensive connection with the Jewelry trade has secured for Mr. Wilkerson the best advantages in foreign and home markets. Intending buyers may be assured of anding here at all times a large and exclusive stock.

W. H. Wilkerson, The Jeweler

915 GOVERNMENT STREET.

John H, Hilman was arrested by Detective O'Leary last night on a charge of stealing an overcoat worth \$15 from B. F. Snider. He appeared in the police court this morning and after trial was sentenced to one month in jail. He was defended by H. D. Helmcken, K. C.

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BURNS AND JOHNSTON VAIT SOUND OF GONG

Result Should Be Known in Victoria To-morrow

Sydney, N. S. W., Dec. 24,-The fight next Saturday for the helivyweight championship of the world between weight pugilist, and Jack Johnson, the
American colored fighter, is the cidef
topic of conversation in Sydney. There
has been a deadlock for the pest three
days, owing to the inability to agree
on a referee and Johnson's consequent
refusal to fight, but this matter has been winter headquarters for owners
now been straightened out and to-day
the betting on Burns is a point
stronger. For days it favored Burns
at five to four and a large amount had
been placed at these figures.

Mr. McIntosh, the promoter of the
contest finally agreed to be referred at
years been considerably increased and weight pugilist, and Jack Johnson the

Johnson has been thirteen year, the ring and has fought nearly

undred battles. Sam Langford, newly arrived on th Sam Langtord, newly arrived on the puglitistic horizon, Fits, Jeffries, Ketchell, and a host of others who should know of the two men, all tip Burns to win, and the betting at the present time is 5 to 4 in favor of Burns.

HIGH BRED STOCK AT FOUR MILE FARM

Mrs. Gouge Has String of Race Horses Preparing for Spring.,

bean placed at these figures.

Mr. McIntosh, the promoter of the the numbers have within the past few contest, finally agreed to be referee at years been considerably increased and



TOMMY BURNS, THE PRESENT HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPION,

the request of both fighters. The sug-gestion advanced by Johnson that two judges in addition to the referee be appointed has been abandoned.

The two men were to-day examined by a physician who pronounced each

world's championship heavyweight fight between Tommy Burns, the Canship, and Jack Johnson, the American At the farm every thing that is need-colored pugilist, which takes place at ed to make up a complete racing stable

rules in a twenty-four foot ring with four-ounce gioves. Promoter McIntosis will act as referee.

The result of the fight at the present time is decidedly up in the air. Johnson will enter the ring, according to latest advices, weighing about twenty-one pounds heavier than Burns, which weight will bring Burns around the two hundred pound mark. There are many local fans who do not believe Rurns can make the weight in fighting. It will be the head to not believe Rurns can make the weight in fighting trim. He, however, in an Australian interview, gave out that he had put on weight of the right kind and would be in the neighborhood of two hundred pounds when the gong rings. Johnson has it over the champion in height, is at least equal in strength, and if anything has the better in reach by an inch. Both menl are ring generals of the first quality, and both learnt the game in the same American school, which so pussiled Bill Squires when he met Burns in Frisco last year. Both are good men on their feet, there being probably no two better in the world. Which, however, is the best is the big duestion sports are trying to decide.

There has been a lot of talk of the fight being a rake, in the American press. As far as fa known, the battle is a world's championship. Burns is defending the title and Johnson has asspired to if for several years. Burns, if a winner, has an American show tour waiting for him, to starf with Pantages in Vancouver. If he loses he will have to return to Frisco and pick up Langing of the sait water treatments and the purpose and the submitted to the first properties of the first should be a world at his feet and all the here of the first properties of the first properties of the first properties of the first should be an all the first through non-condition, wanted the will now the first through non-condition, wenter the first price of the first through non-condition, wenter the first properties of the

bred horses. two men were to-day examined a physician who pronounced each to be in perfect physical condi-The advance sales of seats totals of the season mals on the Pacific coast, and although none of her horses have been racing during the past year, there will be several which will carry her colors dur-ing the coming season.

colored puglist, which takes place at the sydney. December 26th, should be known in Victoria. The championship of the first will be fought in the morning. Situated as it is, it is ideally located commencing at 1 o'clock (Sydney time.) The conditions are fight to a finish under Marquis of Queensberry viles in a twenty-four foot ring with four-cunce gloves. Promoter McIntosh will act as referee.

The result of the fight at the present the advantage of the sait water treating supposes. The ground is dry practically all the year round, and a fine beach immediately adjoining the horses will act as referee.

gameness by winning the last three RUGBY IS ONLY WEEK END ATTRACTION HERE

driving finish. She hag now been re-tired from active track service, and will in the future be used for breeding. Although she has retired from the track it is not to prevent her from taking a ribbon for brood mares at the Provin-cial exhibition, this year. Elmo C. a black mare with a mark of 2-15 3-4, by Red Baron from Nora by Wildwood, is the latest addition, to

mare, is a direct descendant from the moted McKinnay from Besele Wilkes. Will be Intense. The match is set for McKinney mares are considered very fine stock and Sophie shows no sign of proving any exception.

Kitty Græe is a handsome bay trotter by Adirondack out of Belle by Rockwook Kitty is a half sister to Oliver J. the pretty black stallion that won so many blue ribbons at the Provincial exhibition in this city, and also at the Vancouver horse show. She has nover been tried for speed, but will be given an opportunity during the summer.

spencer, Hiscocks, Campbell, Dinadale, Thurburn and Sweeney,
and is a handsome little two-year-old by King Patchen from Belle Storm, and she gives every evidence of following the example set by the latter.

In addition to these Mrs. Gouge has several yearlings, which are well bred, Lost yearlings, which are well bred, Lost yearlings, which are well bred, Lost, resigned, in view of the match with McGilli on January Lith the squad was ordered into regular training. On fact, the string owned by Mrs. Gouge is one of the best in British Columbia, and it will not be long before racers bred at the Four Mile farm will be taking their places among the best in the country.

YACHTING.

Next year will not see a race for the Canada's cup, so decided the Royal Canadian Yacht Club, executive and salling committee at its last meeting. The R. C. Y. C. challenged on Sep-tember 23rd and the challenge was ac-

cepted. But trouble was found in waiting, when the details came to be waiting, when the details came to be arranged. The Rochester Yacht Club desired to race the Seneca again and the R. C. Y. C. would not hear of it on the ground that she was not eligible and wished to have her eligibility decided by some prominent yacht club in the States under the deed of gift of the Canada's cup.

the Canada's cup.

But Rochester would not agree to have the deed of gift brought into the

matter at all.

The Toronto club, therefore, after hearing the report of the club's delegates to Rochester, decided to withdraw the challenge.

JOHNSON WINS FROM BRUSSO.

Galt, Dec. 24.—Johnson trimmed Brusso here in a boxing bout yester-day, A colored gentleman by the name of Johnson put it all over Noah Brusson's (Hommy Buras) brother at Preston, It is to be hoped that this is no forecast.

City and Bay Teams Meet for Five Easy Wins, With One Third Time at Oak Bay

the two focal Rugby teams meet for games were played last night, three in the third time this season. The teams each grade, Victoria West intermediates defeated each other once this year, and the rivalry of the third game. At half time the score was 12 to 5. The

SPORTING NOTES

make its first appearance at Beacon Hill in a preparatory game towards getting together for the Island league matches.

North Ward junior soccer team opens the Island schedule here to-morrow with a match against Ladysmith juniors. The game will be played on the North Ward ground.

Victoria West, first and second elevens, will practice at Macalay point to-morrow. The match is called to take the place of the Fiftir Regiment-Victoria West, garie, the Regiment having retired.

A return match has been proposed between Kelly and Bill Papke for Jen-uary 12th, at Los Angeles, and will probably be accepted by the men who will divide sixty per cent under the

ro-morrow at vancouver the Stan-ford Rugby team is to line up against Vancouver fifteen in the first match of the three for the Cooper-Ketth trophy. The second match is on the 29th and the third New Year's day.

Close Game in Junior

between Shamrocks and Esquimait, resulting in a win for the former by 24 to 10.

The closest game and consequently the most exciting of all played last night was that between the Esquimait, and High school juniors, one point separating the teams when the final call came, High school scored the win, but had to go all the way at every McDonald.

The Beacon Hill team follows: Goal, Loveridge; full backs, Wales and McDonald is night towards, WcDonald is novel, and McDonald.

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final whistle the High school tipped one in the net and were able to defend till the end without Esquimalt scoring the

LONGBOAT TO WED ON MONDAY.
Toronto, Dec. 24.—Torn Longboat, the
Indian long-distance runner, who defeated Dorondo in New York, was refeated Dorondo in New York, was re-ceived into the Italian church here on Monday. He is now what is known as a pagan Indian. His marriage to Miss Maracle, of the Mohawk Indian 're-serve, is to take place on the platform of Massey hall on Monday, December 28th, at the close of a benefit perform-ance. Longboat's Indian name is Ca-

JUNIOR TIE GAME.

The Beacon Hill juniors will play the High School on Christmas morning at 10 o'clock at Beacon Hill. As both teams tie in the race for the city championship an even and exciting game is looked for.

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"Fifty Miles From Boston" Pleases Audience-Will Be Repeated To-night.

With a dozen stars in a cast of fif-teen persons. Cohan and Harris last night presented George M. Cohan's rural musical play. "Fifty Miles from Boston," at the Victoria theatre, from which playhouse there departed at 11:30 p. m. a highly satisfied body of people who had followed the intrica-cies of the plot with infinite amuse-ment, from the rise of the curtain to the end.

The story is hinged on the love af-fair of the little postmistress. Sadie Woodls, and a baseball hero, Joe West-cott. There is a villain who is the out. There is a yillain who is the upst versatile liar ever known even in plays. He wants to marry Sadie and so weaves his web round the prother of the postmistress who happens to be in love with his sister Sellie.

A remarkably strong feature in the play is the scene between these two men, cach in lave with the other's stater and each determined by fair or foul means to wed the lady of his

foul means to wed the lady of his choice.

Mrs. Tilford, who claims to be every body's favorite and meantime acts as scandalmonger, is generally disliked by all except the audience, who hall her approach and departure from the stage with hearty laughter and appliause. Eddle Moseley, a small boy, who aspires to something ahead of minor league towns and is first seen eagerly seeking \$1.50 to take him to Boston for good and all, gives a first class presentation of the boy natural, and he does not have to act to do it. His performance is one of the best in the cast. The "fat boy," with little to do, does that little well, while Jed Woods, the young man in trouble who has stolen money and lost his nervenlays the part of an unstrung nerveracked boy as well as the objectionable part could be taken. He was the recipient of a special round of appliause and a recall at the end of the second act.

plause and a recall at the end of the second act.

The two principal characters of Sadis Woodls and Joe Westcott are in the hands of Hazel Lowry and W. D. Stevenson, while Dave Harrigan is played by W. P. Richardson. These three are the central figures of George M. Cohan's work and acquit them selves in'a finished style. Recalls at the end of the powerful second act numbered eleven last hight, while acts one and three were the subject of lesser number in each case. Between acts one and two the orchestra rendered George M. Cohan's selections from his latest play "The Yankee Prince," and the Minstrei march and two step between acts two and three. There are several bright and catchy songs in the production. The volces are not strong but the effort of Hazel Lowry in "Jack and Jill." Suzanno Westfold's "Anina it Awfu," and Mr. Richardson's "Harrigan," were all encored several times before the audience was satisfied.

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ALASKA SALMON PACK WAS HEAVY ONE

Last Season Exceeded That Put Up in Preceding Years.

A report on the Alaska salmon pack of 1908 has been prepared by the Grif-fith-Durney Company, shows that it exceeds the output for the preceding two seasons. The pack of Alaska reds for the present year was 1,607,234 cases as against 1,217,146 cases the year before, and 1,433,181 in 1906. The total pack for the season of all grades in Alaska was 2,515,852 during this year, 2,148,742 in 1907, and 2,218,627 in 1906.

to 464,000 cases more than the pack of 1807 and is more than 384,000 cases in excess of the pack of 1806. But even with this large increase in the pack there is a great scarcity of tha best grades like Alaska red and Alaska king. The market is almost bare of king fish, and outside of a few cases of No. 1 and No. ½ tlats and a very limited quantity of No. 1 talls the market on red fish is cleaned up, and what is jeft in tall cans is held at \$1.20 what is jeft in tall cans is held at \$1.20 and in No. 1/2 flat cans at \$1.35

BANK OF ENGLAND

Decrease of Nearly Three Millions Sterling in Reserve Fund.

London, Dec. 24.-The rate of dis count of the Bank of England remain-ed unchanged to-day at 2½ per cent. The weekly statement of the Bank of England shows the following changes: Total reserve, decrease, £2,964,000; cir-culation, increase, £89,000; bullion, de-crease, £2,074,033; other securities, increase, 14.161,000; other deposits, in-crease, 1919,000; public deposits, in-crease, 1722,000; notes reserve, decrease, 12.822,000; government securities un-

The proportion of the bank's reserve to its liability this week is 38.30 per cent.; tast week it was 45.62 per cent.

FIGHTING INSECT.

New Bulletin Issued Under Direction

A revised spraying bulletin has been sent out under direction of Thomas Cunningham, inspector of fruit pests.

Mr. Cunningham says that the formulae described in the bulletin have all been tested, and can be relied on to meet the requirements of fruitgrowers, and others who have to combat insect pests and diseases, which are largely on the increase in all countries. The present value of the orchards of British Columbia has reached the enormous sum of \$1,500,000, he adds, and they are increasing in value at the rate of not less than twenty-Ave per cent, annually. It is quite safe to estimate the value of these orchards five years hence at \$30,000,000.

In view of this marvelleus development, it behooves every man in this province, who has the slightest regard for the permanent prosperity of this beautiful and highly favored country, to spare no effort to keep our orchards and gardens clean, and the quality of our fruit up to the highest standard, he says. This can only be done by the country, the says. This can only be done by the secticides and Langicides.

VICTIM OF HEART FAILURE.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—Jeremiah Mullin, who was secretary to Hon, J. J. Curran when the latter was solicitor-general for Canada, and was also secretary to Charles Flispatrick when minister of justice, died of heart failure while on a street car yesterday.

SUICIDES IN JAIL.

North Bay, Ont., Dec. 24.—Telesphore Bolleau, about 25 years old, with a wife and two children in Mattreson, committed suicide in the police station on Tuesday night by hanging, having torn his blanket into strips for the purpose. He had been placed in jail to sober up.

There are 266 blacklead mines in Cepion—a world's record for any country of similar size.

SOME FACTS ABOUT

W. J. Sutton Addresses the Development Com-

inch to the mile, spread on a table in the Board of Trade committee room, bers of the Vancouver Island Developfor exploration into island's resources, at the same time that it made plain to them what a great and important

at the same time that it made plant to them what a great and important duty they have taken upon themselves. The map was drawn by W. J. Sutton, F. G. S., the well-known geologist who has been connected with the Dunsmair interests for several years.

Lt.-Col. Prior, chalrman of the committee, introduced Mr. Sutton as the man who knew more than anyone else about Yancouver Island, had trayelled it from north to south and knew all its advantages and as much of its resources as anyone did. The committee thought that his knowledge would be of great benefit to them at the outset of their work.

There is a shore line of practically five thousand miles on the west coast of the island, Ms. Sutton told the committee, and about seven thousand miles in the committee, and about seven thousand miles.

mittee, and about seven thousand miles in its circuit. No part of the interior is in its circuit. No part of the interior is further than twenty miles from navigable waters. The great lulets and sounds on the west coast could be sintered with ease and perfect safety by large ocean-going boats. An instance was mentioned by Mr. Sutton where a captain had taken a big steamer into Krequot Sound by the Admiralty chart without any difficulty, although he had never been there before.

This shore line and closeness to water transport, Mr. Sutton pointed out, was of immense advantage in the development of the island's resources and he cited several examples.

Fractically the whole interior of the island is unknown, however, the speaker said, due to some extent to the difficulty attending prospecting. Without trails it is impossible to get about and in the absence of detailed geological information prospectors were handicapped. One of the first things to be done, therefore, was to get the provincial government to cut, trails. These 2.149.742 in 1907, and 2.219.627 in 1908.

Of the 1908 pack 50,000 cases, practically all pink, shipped on the Star of Bengal, and about 40,000 cases, principally red, shipped on the Lucile, were lost at sea on the coast of Alaska.

From the foregoing figures it will be noticed that the pack of 1908 amounts to 464,000 cases more than the pack of 1908 amounts to 464,000 cases more than the pack of 1908 amounts and would save them throwing 1908 and in more than 304,000 cases in away their money on mere surface in a surface i away their money on mere surface in

> In reply to questions Mr. Suttor tural areas yet untouched and even in districts like Comox a great deal of land is still open for settlement.
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> There is more timber on the island than in the whole of the rest of the

shan in the whole of the rest of the province. The reason is that the coal measures and sandstones and sholes which predominate on the island distinction of the instruction of the mainland the granite formation does not lend fiself to this, and consequently the coast is without trees. Mr. Sutton looked to the development of the lumber industry as food.

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the great hope of the future for the island, especially as the United States will have to take off the duty both on timber and coal, both of which they used and of which their west coast is destitute.

The climate of the interior Mr. Sutton described as perfection from the nothing at all objectionable to their work. For six months there was not a drop of rain, there were no flies nor mosquitoes, and it was never too hot. Mr Sutton ran briefly over some of the minerals to be found.

A. W. McCurdy asked if the wealth without any difficulty in the country to the country in the expenditure on trails and the shore line and closeness to wat-warrant the expenditure on trails and er transport, Mr. Sutton pointed out. surveys.

sutten, "It would pay hardsomely, It is astonishing to me that nothing has been done in all the years. There is hardly more known about this island years ago. hardly more known about this island, how than when I came here thirty years ago, in spite of its wonderful harbors, marvellous timber resources and immense mineral deposits."

In thanking Mr. Sutton for the in-formation he had given the commit-tee Colonel Prior remarked that years

ago he had been given a geological sketch map of the Island by Sir Roderlek Murchison, who told him it was destined to be the greatest mineral country in the world.

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QUAINTEST FLEET IN THE WORLD

WRECKED BARQUE STORK KNOWN AS "GHOST SHIP"

Strange Craft Which Ply Yearly Between London and Hudson Bay.

The wreck of the Hudson Bay Com-The wreck of the Hussin Bay Com-pany's vessel. Stork, reported from Winnipeg yesterday, recalls the fact that she belongs to what is known as the quaintest fleet in the world. Her consorts are the Petican and the Dis-covery, all three of which make an nual trips from London to the trading posts in Hudson Ray, and many and strange are the adventures which have befallen them.

The vessels themselves, and the pre-

The vessels themselves, and the pre-parations which attend their sailing from the Thames, are the only survi-vals of the romantic past of London's commerce. They are the direct de-scendants of the pioneers who founded the New World. In fact, they form a flottila which came down in a direct line nothing which came down in a direct from their vigorous Elizabethan ances-tors, the Golden Hind, the Jesus of Lu-beck and the other ships which made the first contributions to England's maritime history.

And they have all the appearance of it. They look survivals. Outside the Scotch whaling vessels there are none other like them, in any part of the world. A mariner who has roamed the narbors of the Seven Seas states that they would attract attention at any may on earth.

The Stork, which now lies on Lisbon

The Stork, which now lies on Lisbon shoals in Hudson Bay is invested with a peculiar interest. She is well known as the "Ghost Ship." In 1904, when homeward bound to the Thames about this time of the year, she was reported passing Prawle Point on the coast of Devon. The days passed by and lengthened into weeks, but there was no sign of her pokins her nose into the lower reaches of the Thames time certainty gave place to uncasiness. She was placed on the overdue list, until as time rolled on she was quoted at 30 per cent, and almost given up for lost. per cent, and almost given up for lost, when one fine morning she bore in when one fine morning she bore in around the North Foreland and Capt. Ford, her gallant skipper, brought her to anchor at Poplar.

conchor at Poplar.

Captain Ford now commends the Discovery. In his thirteen years' experience of voyaging in the Arctic he has been in a tight corner several times. When master of the Lady Head (which was lost in James Bay, hard by where the Stork is ashous at present), he landed at Moose Factory, and travelled 300 miles with a grew of Indians and a birch cance, up the Missamabi river through country practically unknown until he reached the wires of the C. P. R. Co., and sent the news of the yessel's wyeck to the London offices. yessel's wreck to the London offices. Heis a typical English sailor, and no

Heis a typical English sallor, and no man knows the difficult waters of the bay where Hudson lost his life better than Captain Ford.

The three vessels of the Hudson Bay Company's quaint fleet are all barque rigged, and the Pelican and Discovery. have steam as an auxiliary power. All are sheathed for ice work, and have their noses wrapped in fron bands, so that they shall not get broken when bumping into floes.

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ship. The Pelican-the funniest of tic ship. The Pelican—the funniest of the bunch—is an old warship, a cor-vette, built at Devon in 1877. Her gun barbettes make her lines a puzzle even to the oldest navigators who have been used to nautical freaks for generations. As her build would imply, the Pelican is the "daisy" of the fleet. Once she went across from Labrador to the Thames under sail in fourteen days, and there are not many sailing ships afloat at the present day that could rival the feat.

Hudson Bay has been described as the most desolate place on carth, and it certainly is one of the most melan-choly. Besides the vessels mentioned, except the American and Scotch whal-ers, and the number of these are dwindling every year. None of these latter vessels go so far south as the Stork and her consorts. In the south-ern waters the Hudson Bay Company has a number of stations—Fort Chime, in Ungaya Bay and then further round in Ungava Bay, and then further round "Port Victoria," East Main Fort Ru-pert's House, Moose Factory (where the crew of the wrecked Stork is at present), Port Albany, and Port Nel-son. Some of these stations are only open in the summer months when the indians and Esquimanx arrive with

To this desolate tract of shore line along which the vesels cruise, but few visitors make their way. An occasional explorer or missionary, perhaps, but there is little doubt that the life of the fur traders is pretty much as it was when the forts were first established.

centuries ago.

Despite the dangers attending the romantic voyages of the Hudson Bay Company's vessels the actual accidents within the past couple of decades can be counted on the fingers of one hand. within the past couple of decades can be counted on the fingers of one hand. In 1905 the Stork was caught in the ice and had to winter at Charlton Island. That is a dire experience, for which the crews of these vessels must be prepared. But a few years since the Perseverance, another vessel of the company, went to join the lost explorer. Henry Hudson, in the waters of the bay. Doubtless when the crew of the Stork gets back to civilization they will have a thrilling story to tell. Whether the cargo of the wrecked vessel is intact—and it is said to be worth \$1,500,000, which might easily be com-\$1,500,000, which might easily be com-prised into 120 tons—is not yet known

here. The vessel, which is ashore on SEALER RESCUES
Lisbon shoels is probably not inich
damaged as she and her sister ships
are among the staunchest craft of their
MAROOI

NEW STEAMSHIP LINES.

Two Companies Will Operate Vessels Between Pacific Coast and Hawailan Islands,

Los Angeles, Dec. 23.—Two new steamship lines between the Pacific coast and the Hawaiian Islands are being organized. One is to be incorporated by capitalists of this city and the San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake railroad. The projected lines are to make this port their principal coast touching point and both are designed to take care of the rapidly growing canned pineapple and sugar freight and the tourist passenger traffic between the Pacific coast and Hawaii.

GLENFARG CONTRACT LET TO BULLEN'S

Steamer to Be Docked on Saturday Next for Repairs.

The steamer Gienfarg is to be repaired at Esquimalt by the B. C. Marine Railway Company, and she will be docked for that purpose on Saturday. The Lord Shaftesbury will be ready to come out by that time to allow of

Word has been received from Var couver that the steamer Monteagle will probably take the cargo which was un-loaded from the Glenfarg. The steam-er has 1,000 tons in her hold still.

SHIPPING REPORT

Cape Lazo, Dec. 24, 8 a, m .- Clear; calm; bar. 29.96; temp. 23; sea smooth Point Grey, Dec. 24, 8 a. m.—Cloudy; light S. E. wind; foggy; bar, 29.95;

temp. 34, Tatoosh Dec 24 8 a m - Light rain wind S. W., 24 miles; bar, 30.10; temp. 46. Passed out, a steamer at 6:10 a, m

Pachena, Dec. 24, 8 a, m.—Cloudy; westerly breeze; bar. 29.93; temp. 43; sen moderate. Estevan, Dec. 24, 8 a, m.—Cloudy; westerly breeze; bar. 30.16; temp. 44; sea rough

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perature, 44. Passed cess May, 9.15 a.m. cess May, 9.15 a.m.
Tatoosh, Dec. 24, noon.—Clear; wind southwest, 8 miles: barometer, 20.17; temperature, 46. Passed in barque W. B. Flint at 7.50 a.m.; outside, Miller R. Hume.

northerly breeze; halk barometer, 30.20; temperature, 43. Sea moderate. Pachena, Dec. 24, noon.—Cloudy; calm; barometer, 30.04; temperature, 45.

QUEEN CITY ARRIVES Steamer Makes Fast Trip From Prince

After a fast trip the steamer Queen City arrived in port from Prince Rupert this morning at 6 o'clock. This will give the capital and crew an opportunity to spend Christmas at home, as the steamer does not leave again until Sunday night.
The steamer had a very pleasant trip both
ways, making the run down in very little
over three days and calling at all the

ways, hashing over three days and calling at all the way ports.
The steamer brought the usual amount of freight and twenty-five passengers, most of whom were loggers. Mr. McDonald, a mining man from the interior, and Miss McKinnon, a school teacher of Metlakahtla, were among the passengers.

LONG SERVICE.

The record for long service on a British sailing ship is probably held by Bos'un Grant, of the barque Haddon Hall, now discharging general cargo at Robert Ward & Co.'s wharf, says the Vancouver Pro-& Co.'s wharf, says the Vancouver Pro-ylpce. Grant, who is a colored man, has been in the service of C. E. De Wolf & Co., of Liverpool, owners of the vessel, for \$5 years, and has spent II years aboard the Haddon Hall. He was formerly bos'un, but in this voyage rated as sailmaker, but he will always be known as Bos'un Grant on the Pacific Coast, the various ports of which he has visited scores of times.

times.

Grant was injured on the hard voyage out, as also were Mate Scott. Second Mate Hudson and three or four of the hands, and Grant and the second mate have gone to the hospital as they are still feeling the sffects of their injuries.



MAROONED CREW

Agnes G. Donahue Saves Men From Wreck of Norwegian Steamer Solglint.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 24.—News was received yesterday that the Halifax schooner Agnes G. Donahue had saved thirty-two men from the Norwegian steamer Solglint, wrecked in the Indian Ocean, and landed them at Durban, South Africa. Forty others from the same steamer were taken off an island, where they had been marconed. The Solglint left Norway in August and was stated to be in a colonization commission, but it is reported here

commission, but it is reported here that Captain Buil had discovered new sealing waters.

Captain Baicom, of the Donahue, announced before leaving Haiffax that he would seek new sealing grounds, hence his presence in the Indian

LONGSHOREMEN'S BONUS.

System Working Well in Montreal-Prevents Trouble on Wharves.

Montreal, Que., Dec. 24.—Since the Montreal, Que., Dec. 24.—Since the close of navigation close upon \$50,000 has been paid out by the various shipping companies to 1,600 longshoremen who qualified for the bonus, and who carned it by working well and regularly from the opening to the close of the season. The development of the scheme has had the effect of doing away with all agitation on the wharves. Since the bonus system was intressed. away with all agitation on the wharves. Since the bonus system was introduced, after the conclusion of the strike in 1906, there has been no shortage of labor lowards the end of the navigation season. A few years back the last weeks of the seasons were very anxious times for shipowers and underwriters, who did not know whether it would be receible to see would be possible to get ships dis-charged, loaded and away before the

THE PRINCESS MAY ARRIVES. Sixty-Eight Passengers Came From Skagway and Way Ports.

Steamer Princess May returned this afternoon just after 2 o'clock from Skagway and way ports, bringing 88 passengers, many of whom landed here. She also brought 500 cases of salmon from Ketchikan and 120 tons of copper gold ore from Skagway, where the steamer loaded from the new Bunkers for the first time. While the steamer was passing between Skewers. steamer was passing between Skagway and Juneau she passed through

SHIPPING GUIDE.

From the Orient.

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FERRY SERVICE

Seattle and Vancuaver.

S. S. Princess Victoria leaves Victoria at midnight, arriving at Vancouver at 7.30 a. m.; returning, leaves Vancouver at 1.90 a. m.; returning, leaves Victoria for 5. p. m. arriving in Victoria at 6 p. m.

S. S. Princess Royal leaves Victoria for Seattle at 11.30 p. m.; returning, leaves Seattle at 1.30 a. m., arriving in Victoria at 1 p. m.

S. S. Whatcom sails daily, except Thursday, for Seattle, at 8 p. m. Arrives daily, except Thursday, for Seattle, at 8 p. m. Arrives daily.

In the manufacture of alcohol from peat, a Danish company, with one experimental plant in Denmark and one in France, has found the cost to be about one-fourth or that made from potatoes. In the process of manufacture, the cellulose or fiber of the peat is converted by sulphuric acid into a soluble carbohydrate, and this is fermented by a special yeast.

From coal is obtained the producing over 400 shades of col variety of perfumes, explosit various acids and medicines, is safts, saccharine, fruit flavoutum, lubricating offs, and variety of the control of the control

RESERVED JUDGMENT IN COW DRIVING CASE

Magistrate Jay Hears Complaint Against Damage Done to Lawns.

Resistance of the second second and Lansdown, road have been complaining to the police for some time of the driving of cows along the former thoroughfare, claiming that their lawns were being spoiled by the cattle walking across them. As a result summonses were issued against two mikemen, Watson Clark and Edwin Simpson, for citying their cows, without son, for driving their cows without having a written permit from the chief

coies, Frederick W. Garland and Rich-ard Chapman,
For the defence, J. A. Alkman and H. D. Helmcken, K. C., appeared, They argued that the council had no author-ity to delegate its powers to the chief, of police, whose duties were set out by the Municipal Clauses act. They like contended that the by-law was bad be-cause it made possible favoritism by the chief of police, it might be exer-cised in restraint of trade or used to create a memopoly, and under it some create a monopoly, and under it so persons were not placed or might not be placed or were liable to be not placed on the same footing with others in the same business.

in the same business.

City Prosecutor Moore argued that as the city was given power to make by-laws and regulations it was quite within its rights in entailing the carrying out of this by-law on the chief of police. Replying to the other argument Mr. Moore held that in this case the courts could be invoked to compel the chief to grant a permit if, for any improper reason, he refused to grant one. There could not, therefore, be any question of favoritism or inequality of treatment under the by-law, which was treatment under the by-law, which was perfectly sound. In the present case application for permits.

Magistrate Jay reserved his decision.

MARINE NOTES

It is probable that the sealing schdoner Jessie will leave earlier than was at first intended. Already more than half her men have signed on and the captain hopes to tow out about the 10th of January, bound for

The C. P. R. is advertising special Christmas rates both to Vancouver and Seattle.

When the R. M. S. Empress of China sails on the 20th, it will be the last trip under the old three-week schedule for the winter. The Empress of India will lay over 19 days when she comes in, and the winter schedule will be in effect with an Empress in port every four weeks continuing until the end of four weeks continuing until the end of March.

It is expected that the Haddon Hall

The Princess Beatrice on her last trip north took large quantities of frozen meat for the Christmas festivities at Prince Rupert and other points.

British ship Brabloch was repaired during the month she was unloading at Portland. She is now on the disengaged. It has been announced that the Am

erican-Hawaiian line has abandoned its proposal to raise the rates between San Francisco and Hawaii.

WOMAN BURNED TO DEATH.

Plattsburg, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Mrs, Joseph Dixon, aged about 40, was burned to death in her home on the outskirts of this city last night, Neigh-bors who entered the blazing house found Joseph Dixon lying on the floor and flames which started from an evenand flames which started from an overlamp enveloping the building. Dixon was dragged from the house badly burned. It was then ascertained that Mrs. Dixon was still in the build-ing. The house was destroyed.



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Miss Edythe Lang, of this city, is the

Mr. and Mrs. Laurie left this m for Vancouver, where they will Christmas with friends.

Miss Bowr n will leave for Scattle to-night on route for Cle-Elum, where she will spend Christmas with friends.

Mr. Charles Willard and Miss Ella Southern Willard, of New York, who are touring the coast cities, are at pres-ent in Victoria.

and Mrs. Thorne Strait took place on Saturday at St. Paul's manse, Dundas street, Victoria West, Rev. D. MacRae

A number of the cabinet ministers ave left for their homes for Christmas.

of a very delightful private subscrip-tion dance on Tuesday evening. The supper room was beautifully decorated for the occasion with the Christmas for the occasion with the Christmas colors, red and green, the materials used being carnations and holly, red beils and ivy. The floor was in excellent condition, and Miss Thain's orchestra furnished a first-class programme of dance music. Mesdames Gordon Hunter, S. W. Powell, Butchart, P. S. Lampman, J. W. Troup, Stuart Robertson, S. H. Barnard, John Irving and E. E. Blackwood acted as chaperons. A great many guests were present.

The ball to be given to-night by the The ball to be given to-night by the management and employees of the Empress hotel promises to be a great success. Over six hundred invitations have been issued. The rotunda has been very beautifully decorated with great ropes of evergreen, depending from which are great numbers of Chinacon which are great numbers of Chinacon alternation with large alternation. ANNUAL CINDERELLA BALL from which are great numbers of Chinces anters, alternating with large red bells. The centre of the rotunda is occupied by a magnificent Christmas tree, the base of which is draped with Union Jacks. Mr. H. D. Helmcken will act as Santa Claus, and the Empress orchestra will furnish a first-class dance programme. A buffet supper will be served in the diplogration, which will likewise. gramme. A buffet supper will be served in the dfning-room, which will likewise be decorated for the occasion. Guests The Elite Amusement

The ball at the Driard hotel on New Year's eve promises to be a brilliant social affair. Mr. Hemming, the pro-

DANTAGES

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Dr. A. C. Frost, of Ladysmith, is a

Miss Bulwin, of this city, will spend

The marriage of Mr. Ernest Gerhard

Hon, F. J. Fulton has gone to Kam-loops and Hon, Thos, Taylor to Revel-stoke,

prietor, is sending out some four hun-dred or more invitations, and nothing dred or more invitations, and nothing will be overlooked to ensure his guests having a good time. He intends this to be the first of a series of annual functions to be held each New Year's eve. Dancing will be in the big dinling-room, and a buffet supper in the adjoining grill room, both of which will be chaparately decorated. The left adjoining grill room, both of which will be elaborately decorated. The ladder' dressing rooms will be upstairs in the rooms adjoining the parlor, while the gentlemen's cloak room will be on the ground floor. A platform for the orchestra will be built in the dining-room. The dancing, floor promises to be perfection. A large configuration be perfection. A large contingent of Vancouverites will be present,

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HOLLY AND MISTLETOE. "THE GREAT DIVIDE."

"The Great Divide," Henry Miller

by almost three-quarters of a million people, "The Great Divide" somes t

Comedy by James Forbes Will be Pre-sented at the Victoria Monday.

Although Rose Stahl, who is to be seen at the Victoria theatre on Mon-day, December 28th, in James Forbes'

then a sketch in one act form.

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edy, "The Chorus Lady," was born in Montreal, most of her life was spent

The custom of employing holly and other plants for decorative purposes at Christmas is one of considerable an-tiquity, and has been regarded as a survival of the usages of the Reman Saturnalla, or of an old Tentonic prac-tice of langing the interior of dwellings with overgreens as a refuge for sylvan spirits from the inclemency of the winter. A Border proverb defines an Winter. A Border proverb defines an habitual story-teller as one that "lees never but when the hollen is green." Several popular superstiffons exist with regard to holly. By some it is considered unlucky to introduce of into the house before Xmas eve. In some districts, the prickly and non-prickly kinds are distinguished as "he" and "she" holly, and the tradition obtains that according as the holly brought into the house at Xmas is smooth or rough, the wife or husband will be the master. Holly that has previously imously critical approbation than all the rest of the plays combined produced in New York last season, played over six hundred performances on Broadway, at the Princess and Daly's theatres, and then was brought back to the Academy of Music later in the year where it played to capacity business for more than six weeks. Altogether, "The Great Divide," during its different New York engagements, was seen by almost three-outerers of a million.

the Victoria theatre for Friday and Saturday evenings. Mr. Miller will present a superb company with the en-tire production and a magnificent luck to a house.

The mistletoe is parasitic both on deciduous and evergreen trees and shrubs. In England It is most abundscenic equipment, which will be pre-cisely the same in every detail just as presented during the phenomenal run of over 800 performances in New York ant on the apple tree, but rarely round on the oak. The growth of the plant is slow, and its duration proportionately great, its death being determined generally by that of the tree on which it has established itself.

The ancient Druids held their sacrifices and banquets under a mistletoe-

rouned tree. After the banquets were repared they brought near two white prepared they brought hear two white bulls, whose horns were for the first time bound. The priest, clothed in a white robe, ascended the tree, cut the mistletoe with a golden hook, and caught it in his white mantle. He then slew the victims, praying God to pros-

in Montreal, most of her life was spent in Trenton, N. Jr., where her father at present edits a newspaper.

Miss Stahl graduated from the convent of the Sisters of the Sacred Heart in Montreal, and made her first appearance on the stage playing a minor part in "Men and Women." She really "arrived" as a full fledged star at the Savoy theatre in New York about two years ago, when Mr. Forbes' play received its first production. Previous to this she had been appearing in vaude-ville in "The Chorus Lady," which was then a sketch in one act form. per the gift.

The mistletce figures also in Scandinavian legend as having furnished the material of an arrow with which Balsun-god) was slain by the blind god Hoder

TIMELY RECIPES

pound of beef kidney suet, chop-ped fine; one pound seeded Malaga rai-sins; one pound currants, cleaned and washed; one pound bread-crumbs, sifted through a sieve; a quarter of a pound of candied lemon-peel, chopped fine; one pound of powdered sugar, four tablespoonfuls of flour, a quartef of an ounce of ground cinnar spice, a pint of cider or oral spice, a pint of cider or orange juice and six eggs. Mix the whole well to-gether. Dip a strong cloth in cold water and wring out to extract all the moisture. Spread open on a table and butter liberally with butter softened to the consistency of cres dredge over with sifted flour and shake the cloth to remove the excess. Turn out the mixture on the centre of the cloth, form in the shape of a ball, raise up the edges of the cloth, bringcutting the string. Undo the cloth car fully and turn the pudding on a h dish. Sprinkle with sugar and ser

Carrots Thicken Jelly. When making felly and it does not jell clean a few carrots, cut them up, and put in jelly. Let boil a few minutes until done. Let boil a few mir

Apple Souffle.—Boil peeled and cored apples till tender, rub through sieve, season to taste with sugar and nutmeg. Piace puree in a saucepan and cook till quite dry and firm. To one and one-half cups of this apple puree and whites of four eggs beaten stiff and sweetened with three tablespoons sugar. Mix puree and meringue lightly and quickly together and turn into pudding dish. Sprinkle with sugar and bake in slow oven about twenty-five minutes. Serve with whipped cream.

Plump the Turkey.-After a turkey or any fowl is all cleaned and stuffed lay it on a platter in the sink and pour a kettle of boiling hot water over it. It will puff up all over and be nice and olump and remain so; also nice and dump and remain so; also nice and uicy when done, not dry and tasteless, yhich is the case sometimes. Then proceed to season. Put it in a hot oven; also set a small dish of water in

and every woman will be thankful when she sees the result if she tries it.

Bottled Cranberries. — Remove all stalks and imperfect berries. Have ready some clean battles. Fill them three parts full with cranberries, then fill them up to the top with cold water. Cork tightly and resin or scaling water. Cranberry Jelly Firee pounds of cranberries three only some content of the content of the content of the cranberries of the content o

cranterry, selfy. Three pounds of cranterries, three pints water, two cupfuls of sugar to each pint of juice. Wash and remove all the stalks and put the berries in a pan with the cold water. Boil quickly until they are soft and broken. Strain off the Juice through a fine hair sleve, press the fruit but do not rub through or the clearness of the felly will be spoiled. Blues out the jelly will be spoiled. Rinse out the jan, measure the juice and add the sugar in the given proportions. Boil until it jellies when silowed to cool on a plate, pour into jars, cover and keep in a cool place,



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joy Dancing in New Postoffice Building.

nual bail of the Prince Rupert volun-teer fire department was held in the ew postoffice building on Friday evennew posterice nuttaing on Francy Science, and proved a grand success in every way. The large room was tastefully decorated with flags, bunting and vergreens, and was well lighted with an incandescent gasoline lamp system that had been installed for the occasion. The large beacon light, lately owned by American poschers and captured by the Cahadian cruiser Kestrel in Hecate strait, was set up in front of the building; but instead of serving its original purpose of guiding poachers to a well sheltered harbor where they could clean their fish without being molested, it directed the merry-making people of Prince Rupert to where they thoroughly enjoyed the best dance ever held in the new terminus, an incandescent gasoline lamp syster

thoroughly enjoyed the best dance ever held in the new terminus.

When the grand march was an-nounced shortly after nine o'clock over eighty couples joined in the parade, and from then until in the early morn-ing hours there was not a slow nor thresome moment.

At midnight a delicious lunch was

At midnight a delicious lunch was served by the members of the brigade, after which dancing was resumed. The Methakalla string band, made up of native sons, who are natural born musicians, furnished good music and responded to many encores. There were fully 225 people present, and the receipts totalled \$254, which will be expended to nurchasing fire-fighting appended in purchasing fire-fighting ap-

RAILWAYS BUY WATERFRONT, Negotiations Completed for Property in Terminal City.

Vancouver, Dec. 23 .- With the object Vancouver, Dec. 23.—With the object of securing new terminal facilities for one or more big transcontinental railways, negotiations for a transfer of False-eresk waterfront property to the value of over \$350,000 was concluded, but the agent of the purchasers, who are said to be the G. N. Ry, and the N. P. Ry, is still looking for more waterfront in that locality, provided the price is right,

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OUTPUT IN ATLIN

Extensive Additions to Plants.

Vancouver, Dec. 23. There will be greatly increased gold production in Atlin district next year, according to J. M. Ruffner, Mr. Ruffner is manage ing director of the North Columbia Mining Company and a subsidiary cor-poration, the Pine Creek Power Com-

the work of building a five-mile ditch in order to secure a water supply. The titch has a width of 26 feet with a delivery capacity of 15,000 miners' inches. The ditch taps Lake Surprise, a lake which has a length of 18 miles. Gates installed at the intake enable the company to regulate the flow into the ditch. Experts agree that the facillties the company will enjoy next year in regard to water supply are un-equaled in the history of hydraulic mining. So enormous is the volume of water that no difficulty will be ex-perienced in operating twelve seven-

Owing to the construction work in progress all summer the company Owing to the construction work in progress all summer the company worked little ground, the output being one-third of the usual yearly production. All records, however, will be surpassed next season. The company owns 1,300 acres of bench and six miles of creek claims whose richness has been determined by the most careful tests.

Mr. Ruffner bases his prediction of next year's increased output in Atlin on the fact that other companies havon the fact that other companies hav-ing made extensive additions to their plants will operate on a large scale in future. This is especially true of the McKee Creek Company and a French company on Otter creek.

INJURED IN RUNAWAY.

Alfred Smith, Lulu Island Farmer, Crushed Against Wagon and May Die.

value of over \$250,000 was concluded, but the agent of the purchasers, who are said to be the G. N. Ry, and in harnessing a team of horses to a heavy wagon. Affred Smith, a well known rancher of Lulu island, was probably fatally injured last evening. The property involved in this big deal comprises all that stretch of awaterfront on the north side of the upper basin of False creek, lying between Heatley avenue on the sast and Boundary avenue on the sest and Boundary avenue on the west.

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> (Special Correspondence.)
>
> Prince Rupert, Dec. 22.—The big steam shovel recently brought here by Foley Welch & Stewart to clear away the big rock bluffs at the wharf has been moved to the ground, and is, albeen moved to the ground, and is, air-ready digging into the loose rock that had been blasted out. A short main line has been laid along the water front, with sidings and switches to ac-commodate the two trains which are made up of pony locomotives and five dump cars. One scoop of the big iron dipper is sufficient to fill a car, they have all been loaded the train is run out on the grade and dumped into the space between the fill and the wharf which is now being rapidly filled

work is now being carried on it is estimated that the two hig bluffs, containing over 300,000 cubic yards of rock, will be broken up and removed by the middle of May next year.

Another commercial enterprise for Prince Rupert was established here today when the building lately occupied by the Imperial restaurant, and owned by Pat Carey, a well-known pioneer of Vancouver, was sold to the Cromwell-Ormsby Company, who have renovated the structure and converted it into an up-to-date meat market. The building is situated on the main business treet of Knoxville. When lots can be purof Knoxville. When lots can be pu hased permanent buildings will be up, slaughter houses erected and a cold storage plant installed. Swift & Company of Chicago are reported to be behind the new enterprise.

WEEKLY WEATHER REPORT.

Victoria Meteorological Office,
Dec. 16th to 23nd, 1968.
At Victoria there were recorded 17 hours
6 minutes of bright sunshine: highest temperature, 43.2 on 16th; lowest, 39.3 on 17th;
rain, 21 incb.
At Vancouver—Bright sunshine, 19 hours
54 minutes; highest, 42 on 16th and 21st;

iowest, 25 on 18th; rain, 57 inch.

At New Westminster-Highest, 62 on 18th; lowest, 22 on 20th; rain, 65 inch.

At Kamioops-Highest, 32 on 21st; lowest, 19 on 17th; snow, 29 inch.

At Barkerville-Highest, 34 on 18th and 18th; lowest, 2 on 17th; anow, 1.40 inches.

At Atlin-Highest, 36 on 18th; lowest, 6 on 18th; snow, 2.50 inches. ninutes; highest, 42 on 16th and 21st; est, 25 on 18th; rain, 57 inch.

CHAPTER XVIII -(Continued.) "Pardon me," Lord Doncastle raised

do not act, the panic will grow. Com-

nerce wild be dislocated, trade tempor-rily ruined. Germany, while suffering a diplomatic defeat at the moment, will

a diplomatic defeat at the moment, will enjoy a terrible victory later on. In ten years she will dominate Europe: our ally will be crushed at her feet, and our own naval prestige seriously men-aced. Further, this government will not remain in office a fortnight, and the good we have been able to do in fre-

good we have been able to do in hve jears of uninterrupted work will be largely nullified by the ineptitudes of our political opponents. Gentlemen, shall Crampiron be reprieved or shall he not? Let me finish by saying that I saw this morning the daughter of the sear when Crampiron was unfortunate.

man whom Crampiron was unfortunate mough to assassinate, and that she protested against the execution. Let

protested against the secondon. Let me point out to you that Crampiron confessed of his own accord, that he is an ageing man with a very honorable record, and that from my personal knowledge of him I am sure that in re-

turn for a reprieve he would do his duty as the greatest force in the city

Doncastle sat down.

Mr. Bott did not waste a moment, He sprang forward. "All the sophistries of the Prime Minister." he exclaimed, at a white heat. "cannot hide the patent fact that he is advocating a gross.

"On the other hand, if we

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CHAPTER XIX.

Strange Behavior of Millicent,

"Good-night, dear Lady Mary," said

Norah embraced the old lady with mpulsive warmth as she reclined in

Impulsive warmth as she reclined in her easy chair.
"You must be tired, poor thing!" murmured Lady Mary. "Sleep well,"
"Good-night, Millicent."
"Good-night, dearest."

Holding aside the portiere for her, h

not yet decided how to address her, whether as "Mrs. Maurice" or "Norah." The one form was as beset with diffi-culties as the other. And Norah, dressed in black, passed

from the inner, or green, drawing room at Tudor Hundreds, down the

room at Tudor Hundreds, down the centre of the empty but illuminated vastness of the central, or yellow, drawing-room, and so disappeared through the portieres leading to the third one. Emile Berger watched her proud and sensitive movements, and then returned to his seat in the small drawing room between Lady Mary and

drawing-room between Lady Mary and Millicent. There was a silence in that room. Tears had come into the eyes of Lady Mary. It had accmed, in theory.

ook her hand, and bowed. He had t yet decided how to address her,

The two girls kissed, "Good-night, Mr. Berger." "Good-night."

By Eden Philipotts and

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lorah.

miscarriage of justice, a scandalous miscarriage of justice, a scandalous miscarriage of justice, a scandalous miscarriage of administrative power," A pause ensued.

"Does anyone agree with Mr. Bott." inquired Lord Doncastle.

Not a sound.

"There is one thing," said Mr. Bott. "An appeal to His Majesty's clemency can only go through me as Home Sccretary." And he laughed.

"We should he desolated to lose your invaluable services, Mr. Bott." said Lord Doncastle, "but as the whole of the rest of the Cabinst has the misfortune to disagree with you.

"Another silence.

"I am a man of principle," he said, with a shaking voice, "though I did work on a farm for fifteen years. I resign."

"You take with you our respect at any days hefore, hat sombre and tragic days hefore, that sombre and tragic days he fore, that sombre and tragic days he fore that sombre and tragic days

"Going to bed?"



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with a shaking voice, "though I did work on a farm for fifteen years, I register of the special property of the with you put respect, at any Fate," Sir John Prester murmured to him as he strode towards the door. The two shook hands, Mr. Bott bowed very awkwardly to the rest, and departed. Viscount Somersetshire was appointed to the Home Secretaryship, and the metropolitan police were enchanted at the change.

Thus did Doncastle accomplish the mest impossible of all the impossible feats which he had performed in his long and dazgling career as a luggler and the fury to a cold and measured and the frequency of the government. His soie work, uttered in a voice that starticed even Millicent, were: "Do they think he gazed at various reassuring telegrams, from Sandringham, from Sandringham, from Sandringham, from Sandringham, from Sandringham, from Section of the government, which had reached him in response to his decisive and audaclous action. Then he smilled at his image in the glass; and his vaiet, who was quite accustomed to his relative and his person and the first and the collar of his jacket, and he had the was previous to the last degree.

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Dated at Victoria, B. C., this 2th day of December, 198.

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A homestead entry (including the time required to earn homestead patent) and cultivate fifty acres acres.

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Deputy of the Minister of the Interior M. B.—Unauthorized publication of a severtisement will not be paid for.

Notice is hereby given that we intend to apply to the Board of Licensing Commissioners for the City of Victoria, at its next session, for a transfer of the license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises situated an Store atreat, in the City of Victoria, known as the Telegraph Hotel, from James Dupen to Walter Poole, of the City aforesaid.

Dated this 24th day of November, 1908, at Victoria, B. C.

FOR ALDERMAN

THE ELECTORS OF WARD

I beg to inform you that on the solicitation of a number of ridends I am presenting myself an analidate tor election as Alderman for Ward I. I have considerable property interests in this and other Wards In the city.

I am in a position to devote a great portion of my time and attention to municipal matters, and believe that if elected I can efficiently advance the interests of the city as a whole, and of Ward I in particular.

Some matters which I believe should have attention in the coming year are:

The early completion of our waterworks system.

More macadamizing and less block pavement, with a view to putting our streets in order before next winter.

Better aswer connection in Ward I. Constant endeavor by the City Council No satist the Songhean Reserve question.

Sirict enforcement of the laws for suppression of vice.

W. C. STEWARI.

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COLD SPELL IN NEW YORK

Plattsburg, N. Y., Dec. 24.-Upper New Fork state, and particularly the Adiron dack region, is in the grip of one of the nost severe cold spells it has ever experienced so early in the winter. The mercury at Lake Placid registered 22 demercury at Lake Placid registered 22 de-grees below yesterday, while at Upper Chateauguay lake it stood at 19 below, and at other nearby points from 12 to 18 below. Up-state farmers whose wells have been dry for months, and who have been depending upon the streams for their water supply, are suffering greatly owing to the freezing of the brooks, farmers at Eltenburg having been forced to drive five miles for water.

NEW PORTUGUESE CABINET.

Lisbon, Dec. 24.—A new cabinet has been formed, headed by Dr. W. Des-Peirera De Lima, as premier. The previous cabinet resigned hast week because of the declaration of the Regeneration party that it would no longer support the reservings.

CABLESS NEW YORK.

KICK PROVES FATAL.

Peterboro, Ont., Dec. 24.—Seven-year-oil Arthur Hodder is dead as the result of kick from a horse while he was playin kick from a horse while he was playing in his father's poultry yard in Smith township.

CANADA'S CROP YIELD

Ottawa, Dec, 24.—The census bureau st night issued a statement giving the value of Canada's field crops for the year as \$435,533,000, grown on 27, 766,665 acres of land. The northwest wheat crop is valued at \$72,424,000.

\$60,000 CHURCH GUTTED.

Montreat, One., Dec. 24. The Roman Catholic church at Cofean du Luc, forty miles from Montreal, was destroyed by fire last night. It was fifty years old and valued at \$60,000.

nt. Off Cash With Order. The Paris theatres give away an aver age of 8,500 free tickets daily.

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A HAPPY ONE

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will have their usual Christmas dinner errow, and are looking forward to the treat that is in store for them. With sublime faith in Old St. Nick, the patron saint of children, every child will hang up his or her stocking before going to sleep to-night, and doubtless the good faires who watch over the lives of the occupants of the Home will see to it that Santa Claus carries a heavily laden pack into the building to-night and leaves with it empty. There will be shouts of joy when the children awake in the morning. A Christmas tree and entertainment will be held at the Orphanage on Tuesday afternoon, December 29th, from 3 to 5 o'clock, It is expected that Father Christmas him-

self will give away the prizes and gifts.

The inmates of the jails will be remembered to morrow. At the provincial jail something special in the way of a dinner will be served, and there will be a little relaxation from the will be a little relaxation from the usual rules. The usual Christmas entertainment will be in the aftergoon, commencing at 2.30. S. Tarnter, Superintendent of religious work among the prisoners, has arranged a good programme. Rev. S. J. Thompson will preside at the entertainment, and it is hoped to make the event as social as results, under the extensioners. sible under the cfrcumstances.

At the city lock-up there will be omething extra for the few inmates. something extra for the lew immaces. In the way of amusements the the-atrex of the city will all be open, in the Victoria "The Great Divide" will be presented in the evening, at the other theatres good programmes are on the boards

VERDICT AGAINST

LABOR LEADERS

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bor organizations in protesting to the bor organizations in protesting to the president against sentence urged him to prevent the incarceration of the labor leaders. The Illinois Mine Workers sent this telegram, signed by President John B. Walker, the vice-president, secretary-treasurer and members of the executive board:
"In the name of 75,000 mine workers in Illinois we desire to protest against the decision committing to penal servitude those great commoners and re-

vitude those great commoners and re-presentatives of the American labor presentatives of the American labor movement, Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison, These men may be guilty of a breach of the law, but a law that denies the use of a free press and full speech is a breach of the fundamental principles of our country. Such decisions create only enmity and class hatred. We respect-fully solicit your influence to prevent the incarceration of these men."

VOTERS' LISTS REVISED.

Appeal Will Probably Be Taken Behalf of Men Over 50 Years.

sisting of Mayor Hall, Ald, Cameron and Ald, Pauline, held a final sitting

this morning, when the voters' lists for 1909 were finally completed and were signed and certified by the Mayor.

There have been seventy-five names atruck off, 74 those of householders who had not paid the statutory \$2 road

tay and one property-owner objects to as being an allen.

A copy of the list of men over fifty, whose applications for registration were refused, will be furnished to-day to Joseph Peirson, and an appeal from the ruling will probably be taken before Police Magistrate Jay on Saturday.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Allen, 549 Niegara street, celebrated their silver wedding yesterday and were the re cipients of many valuable gifts and cordial good wishes from a host friends. They were married in Plymouth, England, on December 23, 1883, and came out to Canada four years later, settling in Victoria. Here Mr. Allen became a member of the police force, on which he has done excellent work, and he now holds the position of jailer at the city jail and his charge of the records.

Last evening Mr. and Mrs. Allen entertained a number of intimate friends at their home and a very pleasant evening was spent. The heartfest of good wishes were showered upon them and all united in wishing them another quarter century of happiness.

NEW GRAND THEATRE.

This Week's Programme is Attracting Large Audiences to All Performances.

Mile. Joyce Gray, in her beautiful salome dance, and the other star fea-tures on the bill, are drawing houses packed to the doors at all performances at the New Grand this week. The usual afternoon and evening performances will be given on Christmas day, The will be given on Christmas day. The full programmes includes Mile. Joyce Gray, salome dance; Stephen Gratton & Co, in "Locked Out at 3 a.m."; Mar-garet Severance & Co., in "Nowadays"; Earl Girdeller and his trick dogs, and the Illustrated song, two good moving pictures and overture,

A SURPRISED MINISTER

A SURPRISED MINISTER.

"For many years I have been a sufferer from broachial catarrh, and had despaired of anything like a cure. Judge of my pleasant surprise when I first used Hyomei, which brought complete relief. Hyomei has been a veritable godsend." — Rev. Charles Hartiey, Sardinia, Ohio.

Thousands of catarrh sufferers have given up in despair. They have tried stomach doeing, snuff, sprays and douches without success, and now believe catarrh to be incurable.

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Hyomei (pronounced High-o-me) is medicated air, full of the healthy virtues of the mountain pines. You breathe in the delightful antiseptic air, and as it meases over the leftent of the land.

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breathe in the delightful antiseptic air, and as it passes over the inflamed and germ ridden membrane, it allays the inflammation, kills the germs, and drives out the disease.

A complete Hysmel outfit, including a hard rubber inhaler, costs but \$1.00, and an extra bottle of Hysmel, if afterwards needed, costs but 50 cents. See D. E. Campbell about it to-day. C-2

ELITE BOWLING LEAGUE.

On the Elite alleys in the house leagu last night Davie's team won from Hold-en's five by & pins. The scores follow: Total. Ave.

Davie	440	146
Cusack	400	133
McIlmoyl	449	140
Stevens	320	106
Archibald	500	100
		and .
	1909	634
	Potal.	Ave.
Holden	404	134
Thompson	365.	121
Cooper	403	134
O. Barton	328	100
J. Wilson	347	115
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McIlmoyl had the highest sco also highest average, 149. On Monday night Aaronson's play Wilson's five.		1

PANTAGES THEATRE.

Varied Programme is Being Presented This Week.

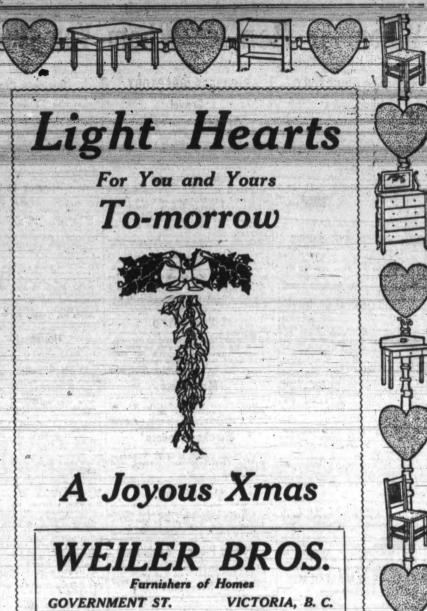
The rapidity with which La Toska, the comedy juggler at Pantages, works is a source of wonderment to the audi-ence. His performance is one of the ence. His performance is one of the features at the theatre this week. The mid-air bicycle riding of Mile. Raymond is the only act of its kind before the public, and is exciting to a high degree. The four English belies are fleasing crowded houses with their dancing, fencing and singing.

Brandon and Wilson sing and dance in a delightful manner, and the songs and monologue of Jack Atkins, the illustrated song and an especially interesting series of motion pictures on the biograph complete an entertaining

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PUBLIC WORKS EXPENDITURE.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 24.—Hon. W. Pugsley, minister of public works, who has arrived here to spend Christmas, says a curtallment in the expenditure for public works would be necessary owing to the decline of the revenue of the Dominion and the necessity for keeping the expenditure well within the public income.



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evidence. One feature you shouldn't miss is the

OAK TEA TRAYS Here is a gift suggestion from the first floor. A tea tray is a serviceable article to send. Prices range from—

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CHESS TABLES Here is a splendid gift to send to some friend who likes to ponder and plan over a chess game. Bent

wood. Priced-\$5.50

TABLE COVERS These new arrivals in ta-estry Table Covers disclose some attractive gift sugges-tions. Many sizes, several

designs 90¢ to \$7.50

DRAWN TEA CLOTHS

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CAKE BASKETS

Here is a dainty gift in offer you silver, and we much choice in both style and We have them at-\$4.00 to \$9.00

KETTLES AND STANDS

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Table Napkins are another line that would meet with a hearty reception. Strong on these. Priced at, per dozen-

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In that finest of Cut Glass, "Libbey," we offer the grandest display of crystal in the city. Prices range— \$2.50 to \$40.00

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